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OF THE

FIRST PRECINCT, 1746-1754

AND OF THE

TOWN, 1754-1803

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PREFACE.

By vote of the General Court in 1746, the north part of Weston was united with parts of Lexington and Concord to form what was called the second precinct. The remaining part of Weston was then called the first precinct, and records of the same were kept from 1746 to 1754. At that time, the second precinct was incorporated as a town under the name of Lincoln, and the records of the first precinct were no longer kept separate from those of the town. Those of the latter, after 1754, were kept in what had been the precinct book.

This book, containing precinct records from 1746 to 1754, and town records from 1754 through 1803, is what is now presented in printed form, agreeably to a vote of the town passed March 28, 1892.

Great pains have been taken to have an accurate copy Some errors doubtless occur; for it has not always been easy to decide just what the Clerk intended. Although it has been the intention to reproduce the original as closely as possible, a few changes have been intentionally made. Catch words, found at the foot of a few pages, have been omitted, as they could not serve the same purpose on the printed page. A short dash after an abbreviation has been printed as a period. Initial J in proper names has never been printed I, although sometimes written with that character. Small m with a circumflex over it, to indicate that the letter is doubled, has been printed mm. Obscure points in the text have been explained and errors pointed out by notes enclosed in brackets and enclosed in the body of the work. A "coot for Benjamin Stimson," page 273, has been explained in the errata. That "coat" was intended is evident, as the bill is still extant. On page 500, the *title* of Eliakim Morse crept in from the Dr. of his bill for lead and gold leaf.

Three interesting papers have been added in an appendix. Two of these have reference to the bounds of the Town Land near the Meeting-house, and show that a quit-claim deed of the land was given a hundred years ago.

The value of the book has been much increased by adding an Index of names and also one of subjects. By this means the history of the

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town for the period covered, a term of exactly fifty years, is outlined and made easily accessible.

In arranging the names, care has been taken to gather together, as far as possible, all allusions to the same person, and to supply the first name when lacking, as in the case of several schoolmasters and others.

It is to be hoped that further interest in the records of the town may be awakened, and that we may eventually have in print all that remains to us of the first one hundred and twenty-five years of our history.

MARY FRANCES PEIRCE.

THE BOOK OF RECORDS

OF THE

FIRST PRECINCT IN WESTON.

DEC. 11th. AD. 1746

[1.] MIDDLESEX. ss WESTON Novr. 19th. 1746

To EDMD. TROWBRIDGE Esqr. one of his Majs: Justices of the Peace for The County of Middlesex

Whereas by an Order of the Great and Genl. Court of the Province of the Massachusets Bay. passed the 26th. of April Last a Number of the Inhabitants of Weston: With Others, Inhabitants of Concord and Lexington are Set off. to be a Separate precinct and thereby the remaing part of the Said Town of Weston. is an entire parrish

These are Therefore to Request that your Honr. Woud. Issue a Warrant for Calling the first precinct Meeting. in the first precinct in Weston: to Chose Precinct Officers as the Law Directs

JAMES MIRICK	NATHL. ALLEN
JONA. BULLARD	ABIJAH UPHAM
JOHN WALKER	JOHN HASTINGS
DANIEL LIVERMORE	ELISHA JONES

MIDDLESEX ss

To JOHN WALKER of Weston in Said County yeoman GREETING

Whereas Application has been Made to me the Subscriber, by More then five of the Freeholders, of the first precinct in Weston, in Writing under their hands For Calling a Meeting of the Inhabitants of Said precinct. Never yet Assembled

you are hereby in His Majesties Name required to Notifie ye. Freeholders & Other Inhabitants of Said precinct. Quallified by Law to Vote in Town Affairs that they Assemble at ye.

publick Meeting House in Weston afores^{d}. on thirsday y^{e}. Eleventh day of Decem next at two of ye Clock afternoon: then & there first. to Chose a Moderator of ye Same Meeting. and then to Chose a Cleak to Enter & record all Such Votes & Orders as from Time to Time shall be made & passed in said precinct. and also a Committey for y^{e}. Calling Meetings of the said precinct for y^{e}. future

[2.] Hereof fail Not. given under my hand & Seal at Cambridge this 26th: day of Novr. in y^{e}. 20th. year of his Maj^{s} Reign Annoq^{e}. Domini. 1746

EDM TROWBRIDGE *Just Pac^{s}.*

MID^{sx} SS WESTON Decr. 11th. 1746

In Obedience to this Warrant I have Notified the Inhabitants Within Mention^{d}. to Meet. at ye Within Mention^{d}. time & plalce for y^{e}. Ends Within Mention^{d}.

Per JOHN WALKER

At a Meeting of y^{e}. Inhabitants of y^{e}. First precinct in Weston Legally Assembled at ye publick Meeting house in Said Town on y^{e}. 11th. of Decr. 1746 —

Made Choice of the following persons For parrish Officers

Viz. —M^{r}. JOHN WALKER MODERATOR OF Said Meeting

Precinct Clerk ELISHA JONES CHOSEN & SWORN

Precinct Com^{tee}. Messrs. — { JOHN WALKER, JOHN LAMSON, ELISHA JONES }

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the First parrish in Weston Legally Assembled at y^{e}. Publick Meeting house in Said Town Decr. 25th. 1746. —

Viz.: 1. To Chose parrish Officers as y^{e}. Law directs

2^{d} To grant y^{e}. Rev^{d}. M^{r}. W^{m}. Williams^{es}. Sallary for the present year. & Also What Addition thereunto. Shall be Judged Necessary. and to Make provision for y^{e}. Cutting & Carting his Firewood For y^{e}. year.

Also to grant Money to defray precinct Charges.

[3.] Mr. John Walker Chosen Moderator of Said Meeting

Assessors. Messrs { Nathan Fisk
Elisha Jones
John Walker

Voted by the Inhabitants of Said parrish at Said Meeting that they grant to ye Revd. Mr. Wm. Williams Eighty pounds old Tenr. For his Sallary begining Sepr. 10th. 1746.

Votd. also that Two Hundred pounds old Tenr. be grantd. to ye. Revd. Mr. Williams in Addition to ye. Eighty pounds Aforesd. also Eighteen pounds like Tenr. for ye. Cutting & Carting his Firewood and also Ten pounds. To defray ye Necessary Charges of Said precinct this present year. all Which Sums are to be Made into one rate: and to be paid in to ye. Precinct Treasury by ye First day of June Next

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the first precinct of Weston Legally assembled at the publick Meeting house in Said Town on Monday ye. 2d. day of March AD. 1746 — at Two Of ye. Clock Afternoon to Chose precinct Officers for ye. year Ensewing as ye. Law directs

Josiah Brewer Esqr. Was Chosen Moderator of sd. Meeting

Comtee For Said precinct — Cap. James Jones
Messrs. { Benja. Harrington
John Jackson.

Clerk & Treasurer of Said precinct — Elisha Jones Sworn March 2d. 1746

Assessors Messrs. { James Mirick
Abraham Bigelow } Sworn March 4th. 1746
& John Mirick } Sworn March 2d. 1746

To Take Care of the Meeting house Ens: Joseph Woolson

1747.

[4.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders & Other Inhabitants of the First precinct in Weston Duly Quallified, & Lawfully Warned in publick Meeting Assembled, on Teusday ye. Tenth day of November AD 1747

1 To grant ye. Revd. Mr. Wm. Williamses Sallary for one

year begining Sepr. 10th. 1747 — & to Make provision for y^{e}. Cutting and Carting his Firewood

2^{d}. To grant money to pay precinct Creditors & defray other Necessary precinct Charges.

1. Voted by y^{e}. Inhabitants of Said parrish at Said Meeting that they grant to the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Williams Eighty pounds old Ten^{r}. and an Addition of Three Hundred & Seventy pounds like Ten^{r}. (Including y^{e}. Cutting & Carting his Firewood) for his Sallary for one year begining y^{e}. 10th. of Sepr. last — Which Sums are to be paid into the Treasury by y^{e}. first day of June Next

Then y^{e}. precinct Credit was Read to y^{e}. Inhabitants afores^{d}. and by them Accepted and Twelve pounds granted to pay y^{e}. Several Sums hereafter Mention^{d}.

Viz: To M^{r}. John Walker for Makeing y^{e}. Minist^{r}. rate one day & half at 10/ per day	0 : 15 : 0
To M^{r}. Nathl. Walker for Two days & Half Work at the Meeting-house at 20/ per day & Nails and Speaks 5/6 .	2 : 15 : 6
To Const^{e}. Saml. Hunt for Warning one precinct Meeting 6/	0 : 6 : 0
To Const^{e}. Isaac Allen for Warning one precinct Meeting 6/	0 : 6 : 0
To M^{r}. Nathan Fisk for Makeing y^{e}. Minist^{r}. rate one day & half at 10/ per day	0 : 15 : 0
To Elisha Jones for Makeing y^{e}. Minist^{r}. rate y^{e}. last year Three days at 10/ & paper to Make them on 4/6 . .	1 : 14 : 6
To M^{r}. Joseph Woolson for Takeing Care to Open & Shut the Doors of y^{e}. Meetinghouse & Sweeping s^{d}. house one year begining y^{e}. first of last March . . .	4 : 0 : 0

[*Pages* 5, 6, 7, *and* 8 *are missing.*]

[*John Walker was Town and Precinct Clerk from March*, 1748/9, *to March*, 1749/50.]

1749.

[9.] Weston May 19. 1749.

This is a Discharge to the Town, or First Precinct in s^{d}. Town of Weston, of the several Summs annually granted by them for my Support in the work of the Gospel-ministry, which I have receiv'd in Full, to the tenth Day of September last past, Anno Dom: (1748.) One thousand seven hundred and forty eight, which is in full of my Demands from ye Town, to s^{d}. Time.

Per W^{m}: Williams.

At a Meeting of ye Freeholders & other Inhabetants of ye first Precinct in Weston Qualified by Law to Vote in Town affairs Lawfully warned in Publick Meeting Assembl^{d}. on Wednsday ye Sxth day of Decm^{r}. AD 1749 at ye Publick Meeting house in s^{d}. Town at three of ye Clock afternoon; In order (1)

(1) To grand ye Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Williams his sallerey for ye Present year (begning Septm^{r}. ye 10 : 1749) and also To Consider what addition may be thought necessary to be made there unto & to act thereon accordingly

(2) To here ye Precinct Creadit & to grand money Pay ye Same & to Defray other Necessasary Charges arissing in s^{d}. Precinct

(3) To See if ye^{e} Precinct woold grant ye Pew formerly Clam^{d}. by M^{rs}. Brewer in ye meeting house in s^{d} Town To M^{r}. Theophlus Mansfield.

(4) To here ye Precinct Treasurer accounts for several years Past.

Cap^{r}. Joseph Harrington *Chosen Moderator*

(1) Vot^{d} by ye S^{d}. Inhabetants at s^{d}. Meeting that thay grant to ye Reve^{r}. M^{r}. W^{m}. Williams ye Sum of five Hundred Pounds old Ten^{r}. as a Salleray for this present year begning Sep^{t}. ye 10 : 1749 Including ye Cutting & Carting his firewood To be pay^{d} in province Bills or Silver money at ye rate fifty Two Shillings an ounce by ye first of June Next

2^{ly} Vot^{d} by ye s^{d} Inhabetants at s^{d} meeting that they Grant ye further Sum of Twenty-five Pounds old Ten^{r} To Pay Precinct Creaditors & other Necessary Charges arising in S^{d} Precinct to be made with ye Ministers Rete & to be pay^{d} into ye Treasurey at ye Same Time

3^{ly} Vot^{d} by ye s^{d} Inhabetants at S^{d} meeing that Mr Theophelous Mansfield Shall have ye Pew (formerly Clam^{d} by Mrs Brewer in ye meeting house in s^{d} Town) During ye Precincts Pleasure

4 Vot^{d} that ye hearing ye Precinct Treasurers accounts be Defar^{d} Till next March Meeing

Then ye Precinct Creadit wass Read and accepted which is as followeth —

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[10.] To Mr. John Jones for Twenty Six feet of Slitwork for ye meeting house Stairs at 9d pr foot 19/6 . . .	0	19	6
To Thomas Rand for Mending ye Stairs at yr est Door of ye Meeting house he finding nails &c	1	15	0
To Samel Baldwin for mending ye west Door Stoops &c .	0	16	0
To Mr John Warrin for making y ministr Rate 1748 two day at 16'/ pr day	1	12	0
To Mr John Mirick for hooks & Staples for ye meeting house door & windows 12'/ & making Bat 2 days at 16 . .	2	4	
To Mr Joseph Norcross for Taking Care of ye meeting house	4	0	0
To Mr John Walker for making ministr Rate 1748 Two day at 16' pr day 1/12 & paper 3l	1	15	0
Total	13	11	0

At a meeting of ye Freeholders & other Inhabetants of ye First Precinct in Weston Legaly Qualified to Vote in Town affairs Regerlerly assembld & met together at ye Publick Meeting house in sd Town on Monday ye 5th : day of March AD 1749 at three of ye clock on sd day then & their

(1) To Make Choice of ye Precinct officers for ye year Ensuing as ye Law Directs

2ly To here ye Precinct Treasurers accot for Several years past

3ly To Know ye minds of ye Precinct Whuther they will abait ye Rats of Thomas Train and Calib Child in Constable Severans–s List

Moderator Chosen Capt Joseph Harrington.

Comtee Messrs : { Joseph Harrington, Abijah Upham, Elisha Jones }

Clerk & Treasurer Elisha Jones Sworn March ye 9 : 1749

Assessors Messrs { James Mirick, Elisha Jones, John Warrin } Sworn March 9 1749

Mr. Joseph Norcross to Take Care of ye Meetin house for one year for Seven Pounds old Tenr

[11.] 2ly Votd at sd Meeting that they abait ye Rats of Thomas Train & Calib Child in Constable Severans : s List &c

3ly Votd that ye hereing ye Precinct Treasurers accout be defard Till ye Next Precinct meeting

1750

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants of the First Precinct of Weston Duly Quallified and Lawfully Warned in Publick=Meeting assembled at ye Publick Meeting=House in Said Town on Monday the Fifth day November AD 1750 Then & There

I To hear the Precinct Creditors accompts & act Thereon and To grant money To pay the Same and also To grant money to support the Gospell ministry in Said Precinct

II To Chose a Committe to provide Preaching in Said Precinct

III To know Whether They Will abate Abram Jones's Rate in Const. Daniel Parkhurst's List

Then The Precinct Credit Was read and accepted Which is as followeth

Viz: To Joseph Norcros for Sweeping the Meeting House and opening and Shutting ye Doors one year . . .	0:	18:	8
To John Warrin for Making the Ministers rate Two days in ye. year 1749 at 2/3 pr day	0:	4:	6
To Brad. Smith for Making ye. ministers rate in ye. Same year Two days at 2/3 pr day	0:	4:	6
To Ebenr. Hammond for Entertaining the Late Eclesiastical Councell	2:	1:	6
To Elisha Jones for making the Ministers rate in ye. year 1749 Two days 2/3 pr day and for gitting ye. Meeting House Windows Mended 1/6	0:	6:	0

£100 Grant

I Voted by the Inhabitants aforesd. at Said Meeting that ye Sum of One Hundred pounds Lawfull money be assessed on ye Inhabitants aforesd. as ye. Law directs. To pay ye. Several Debts aforesd. and to Support the Gospell Ministry in Said Precinct and to be paid into ye Treasury by ye First of January Next

Voted

[12.] II Voted by ye Inhabitants aforesd. That Capn. Joseph Harrington Decn. Abijah Upham and Elisha Jones be a

Committe to provide Preaching untill y^{e}. Next Precinct meeting in March

III — The Question was put Whether They will Abate Abram Jones^{es} rate in Const^{le} Parkhursts List, & it passed in the negative

At a Meeting of the freeholders & Others Inhabitants of the first precinct in Weston Quallified by Law to Vote in Town affairs & Lawfully Warned-in publick-meeting assembled on Friday the Eighth Day of March 1750 at the publick meeting house in sd Town at tweleve of the clock on Sd day

1 — to chuse precicnt officers for the year ensuing as the Law Directs

2 — to chose a committee to provid preaching for the futer

3 — to know the minds of Sd precicnt Whether they will abate Josiah parks Rate to the precicnt in Constable Whitneys List

4 — to hear & act upon the precicnt Treasurers account for Several years past

DEA^{N} UPHAM *Chosen Moderator*

precicnt committee for the year Messrs { DEACON UPHAM, NATHAN FISK, JOHN LAMSON }

Clerk & Treasurer NATHAN FISK Sworn march. 8 : 1750

Assessors Messrs { JOHN WARRIN, BRADYLL SMITH, JOHN ALLEN } Sworn March. 8 1750

Voted a—Committee for preaching

Messrs { DEA^{N} UPHAM, NATHAN FISK, ABR^{M} BIGELOW }

Voted — to take care of the meeting house Abraham Whitney: for Twenty Shillings the year ensuing

Voted & Chosen by Sd precicnt att Sd meeting. Theophilus Mansfield Nathan Fisk to audit the Treasuerer account for Several years past & when by them allowed to be Recorded in ye precicnt Book. &c

Voted by Sd precinct that they abate the Rates of Josiah Parks in Constable William Whitneys List, to the precinct.

1751

The Church of Christ in the first Precinct of Weston; By an appointment of there own Met on Monday March, 25. AD. 1751. att the Publick meeting House in Said town in order to Choose a Suitable Person to Settle in the Gospel ministry in S^{d} Church and Precinct. (out of those Four Gen^{tm} S^{d} Church Was advised to hear upon Trial by Several of the Neighbouring ministers Namely M^{r}. Stevens, Mr Bass. Mr Dorby, & Mr Woodward.) Said Church proceeded

Coll. Fullam *Chosen Moderator of S^{d} Church meeting*

and after Solemn Prayer to God for his Direction and assistance in So weighty an affair Said Proceeded with a Becoming Solemnity in the fear of God

1 — Voted and Chose. by Said Church, at s^{d} meeting M^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Woodward to Settle in the ministry of the Gospel in Said Church and Precinct, by the Number of Sixty Eight Votes and not one Vote for any other person

[13.] 2 Voted By Said Church at Said meeting that Messrs Dea^{n}. Perkhurst Dea^{n}. Allen and Dea^{n}. Upham, Be a Committee to Desire Mr Williams our former Pastor to Diliver to Said Committee for Said Churches Use the Church Covenant Records, papers & Book; Which Belong to Said Church which are in Said Mr Williams Keeping.

3 Voted By Said Church att Said meeting that they Desire the Precinct Committee to Call a meeting of Said Precinct as Soon as may be, to know Wherther Said Precinct Will Concur With Said Church in Their Choice of Mr Sam^{ll}. Woodward to Settle in the Work of the Gospel ministry in Said Church and Precinct

[14.] At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the first precint of Weston Qualified By Law to Vote in town affairs Seasonably Warned Being assembled at the Publick meeting house in Said town on munday April 1. AD. 1751. att two of the Clock in the after-noon

1 — To know the minds of Said Precint Whither they Will Concurr With the Church in Said Precint in Their Choice of

Mr Samuel Woodard to Settle in the Gospe ministry in said Precint

2 — To know the minds of Said Precint What Encouragment Sd Precint Will Grant & give to Sd Mr Woodard to encourage him to settle in the Gospel Ministry in Sd Precint.

3 — To know the minds of Said Precint how much money Said Precint Will Grant and Give to Said Mr Woodard for his yearly Sallery

Coll. Fullam *Chosen Moderator*

1 — Voted By Said Precint att Said meeting in Concurrence With Sd Church in their choice of Mr. Samuel Woodard to Settle in the Work of the Gospel ministry in Sd Precint By the Number of Eighty Votes for Sd Mr Woodard and not one Vote for any other person

2 — Voted By Said Precint att Said meeting to Give to Said Mr. Samuel Woodard to Encourage him to settle in the Gospel ministry in Said Precint the sum of one Hundred & thirty three Pounds Six Shillings and Eight Pence Lawfull money

3 — Voted By Said Precint att Said meeting that they Grant, & Give to Sd Mr Samuel Woodard, for his yearly Sallery : the Sum of Sixty Six pounds thirteen Shillings and four pence Lawfull money During the time Said Mr Woodard Shall Continue in the Work of the Gospel ministry among us in Weston

4 — Voted By Said Precint att Said meeting that Messrs. Coll Fullam Deacon Perkhurst Deacon Allin Deacon Upham Capt Jones Be a Comittee to Waite upon Mr Samuel Woodard to acquaint him With the Votes of Said Precint Concerning their Choice of & Grant to, him in order to his settleing in the Work of the Gospel ministry in said Precint

[15.] Att a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the first. precinct in Weston Qualified By Law to Vote in town affairs Seasonably Warned Being assembled att the Publick meeting house in Said town on monday June, tenth AD 1751 att four of the Clock in the after.noon

To hear the answer of Mr Samll Woodward Relating to the Call he had to Settle in the Work of the Gospel ministry in Said precinct. and to act thereon as they Shall think proper, &c

COLL. FULLAM *Chosen, Moderator*

and after hearing Said answer and Considering thereon

Voted By Said precinct at Said meeting that they Grant to Said Mr Samll Woodward Thirty Cords of Wood yearly During the time Said Woodward Continues our Ministre in Said Precinct.

Voted By Said precinct at Said meeting, that Deacon Upham Capt Jones Be a Committee to treat With Said Mr. Woodward about Said answer

Voted By Said precinct att Said meeting that this meeting be adjurnd to next Monday att three of the Clock in the afternoon, and the moderator Declared Said meeting to be adjurned accordingly

The Inhabitants of the first precinct in Weston Being assembled on the 17 Day of June. AD 1751 to Which time their meeting was adjurned

Votd By Said precinct att Said meeting that the thirty Cords of Wood Granted to Mr Samll Woodward yearly Shall Be Dilivered to Said Mr Woodward att his Dwelling house in Said precinct

Votd By Said precinct att Said meeting By a full and Unanimous Vote that they are Easie and satisfied With What they have Done. and Granted to Mr Samll Woodward and also With Mr Woodwards answer and acceptance thereof. &c:

Voted By Said precinct att Said meeting that the ordination of Mr Samll Woodward be Defered till Neare about the middle of September Next.

[16.] MR. SAMLL WOODWARDS ANSWER TO THE CALL HE HAD TO SETTLE IN THE GOSPEL MINISTRY IN WESTON FIRST PRECINCT

To the Church and Congregation in Weston

GENTLEMEN, — It is Some Considerable time Since you Were pleased to honour me With an Invitation to Settle With you in the ministry, Which Was Back'd With a Desire that my Resolution of the matter might be as Speedy as Was Consistant

With Prudence: Wherefore Gen^{tm} after my Hearty thanks for the favourable oppinion you have Conceived of my Labours, I Would Inform you, that altho your Circumstances Seemed to Call for a Sudden answer, yet the Work you Call me to Engage in (as it appears to me) is of Such moment; that the most mature consideration Cant be more than it Deserves: I have therefore Been asking that Wisdom from above that is profitable to Direct: and I have Kept you in Suspence the Longer Because in the multitude of Councelers there is safety: and am Now Ready to Inform you that the Vnanimity of your Call appears matter of Great Encouragemint to me and affords a happy prospect of the good Success of my ministry: and notwithstanding your Circumstances are Something peculiar: yet I hope the Consideration of Duty would be more than a Counterballence for all the Difficulties which at present appear: But Gen^{tm} you are all I presume Scinsible of the Great Inconvenience and Danger there is in a ministers Being Dependent upon the favour of his people he must needs then have a Greate temptation to unfaithfullness: Least otherwise he hurt his private Intrest: Wherefore as I propose to Devote my self (by the Grace of Heaven) to the Service of that peoples Souls Whose minister I am: So I Desire that if I Sow unto them Spiritual things: it may not be thought a Great thing (by them) If I So far Reap of Their Carnal things as to Render my Life Comfortable: and Now Gen^{tm} Notwithstanding your proposals as to the Nominal Sums Seems to be Considerable: yet who is there among yourseleves, Were He to Estimate What he Spends in his family, that would not find that ware he to purchase all by the penny, it would Cost him more than Sixty Six pounds thirteen Shillings and four pence per annum: Gen^{tm} upon Consideration that you propose this without any privileges or perquisites Which are common in other towns: I mean with Respect to a personage, or any Donations in Lands or Buildings or with Regard to wood: and upon Consideration; that yours must Needs be a place of Great Expence Because neare a Great Road: my Best freinds in as well as out of the ministry: assure me from their own Exspirience that I Can by no means Live with your offers: and now upon the whole.

Gen^{tm} I think that nothing Short of the addition of thirty Cords of wood: and in Some other way a valuable Consideration more to my yearly Salary can be Sufficent Encouragement for my acceptance of your Call

[17.] I conclude wishing you may have the Divine presence and Conduct in all your proceedings and Intreating that whether these proposals are agreeable or Disagreeable they may by no means Break our frendship: Let me have the Improvement of your Intrests at the throne of Grace for me: that in whatever Capacity I need therein I may have Success: Assure your Seleves that howevr I may be wanting in other Regards: yet (with Dependence upon the Grace of heaven) you never Shall have Reason to think: but that your Best Intrest and welfare Lies near my Heart: In token whereof I am now Ready to Subscribe my self your friend and Well wisher

SAM^{LL} WOODWARD

NEWTON June. 4. 1751.

M^{R} SAM^{LL} WOODWARDS SECOND ANSWER &C

To the Church and Congregation in Weston

Gent^{m} Messrs Capt Jones and Dea^{n} Upham Have acordeng to your Desire acquainted me With your proceedings Last meeting, and that you Stumbled at my meaning With Respect to that perticuliar phrase — and a valeuable Consideration more to my yearly Sallery)

Gent^{m} Its plain I Refered it to your Judgement What was a Valeuable Consideration: But yet I am free to aknowledge my meaning was about Seven pounds: But by no means if it was inconsistant with peace and Love: the only Reason of my mentioning of it: was — Because I fear^{d} upon the account I have had from those that have Experienced that Less Would not Do: But Gen^{tm} Since the providence of God Seems to Invite me amonge you, I Dare not Deny your Request: Wherefore upon the Whole I have Resolved, that With Dependence upon the Grace of God for my assistance and Direction and Depending upon your favour and Good will Which I assure you; I prefer to Sallery: I Declare a herarty acceptance of your Call

provided there apear a General Easiness and Satisfaction With what is already Done : I Whish you may have the Divine presence and Conduct in all your proceedings

WESTON June. 17 : 1751. Your^{s},. SAMUEL WOODWARD.

[18.] Att a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the first Precinct in Weston Qulified to Vote in town affairs and Warned ; in Publick meeting assembled on Wednesday the twenty Eightth Day of august AD 1751. att two of the clok in the after noon.

1 — To appoint the Day for the ordination of Mr Samuel Woodward

2 — To provid a place or places for the Entertainment of the R^{evd} Elders and Deligate of the Several Churches that Shall be Sent to, to Oordain Said Mr Woodward and person or persons prepare for Said entertainment

3 — To grant money to Defrey the charge of Said Entertainment if Said precinct Shall think Needfull

4 — To agree With Said Mr Woodward When his yearly Sallery Shall Begin &c

COLL FULLAM *Chosen Moderator*

1 — Voted by the Inhabtants of said Precinct at Said meeting that Wednesday the Twenty fifth Day of Sep^{t} Next Shall be the Day for the Oordination of Mr Samuel Woodward

2 — Voted att Said meeting that Mr John Lamson be the man to Entertain the Councel and other Gen^{tm} of Distintion att the ordination and upon Mr Lamsons Refusal Mr Eb^{r} Hammon Was Chosen Who undertook Said Service

3 — Put to Vote Wherther Said Precinct Would Grant any money to Defrey the Charge of Said ordination and it pass^{t} in the Negetive there Being a Supply in the Treasury

4 — Voted att Said meeting that Mr Sam^{ll} Woodwards yearly Sallery Shall begin att the Day of his ordination

Att a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the first precinct in Weston Qualified to Vote in town affairs and

Seasonably Warned in Publick meeting assembled on Thirsday the fourteenth Day of Novr. AD. 1751. att Nine of the Clock in the forenoon then & there

1 — To Grant the Reve^{d} Mr Sam^{ll}. Woodwards Sallery for this present year begining Sep^{t}. 25. 1751.

2 — To Know the mind of Said precinct What method they will take to procure Said Mr Woodwards fire-wood

3 — To Know the mind of Said precinct When the money Granted for the Rev Mr Sam^{ll} Woodwards Settlement Shall be paid

4 To here the precinct Credittors accounts & act thereon & Grant money to pay the Same & also to Grant money to Defrey all other Necessary Charges arising in Said precinct. &c.

[19.] DEAC^{N} UPHAM *Chosen Moderator*

1 Voted by Said Inhabitants att Said meeting that they Grant to the Rev^{d}. Mr Sam^{ll} Woodward for his Sallery this present year Begining September 25. 1751. the Sum of Sixty Six pounds thirteen Shillings and four pence Lawfull money

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66 = 13 = 4
Granted for Mr Woodward Sallery — 1751

2 Voted by Said Inhabitants (the Revd Mr Sam^{ll} Woodward Consenting thereto) the Sum of Six pounds thirteen Shillings and four pence be added to the Rev Mr Woodwards Sallery this present year in Leue of his fire wood for this present year

£ s d
6 = 13 = 4
Granted for Mr Woodward fire wood

3 Voted by Said precinct that the one Hundred and thirty three pounds Six Shillings and Eight pence Lawfull money Granted to the Revd Mr Sam^{ll} Woodward to Encourge his Settleing in the Gospel Ministry in Said precinct Shall be paid by the first of March Next.

Mr Woodward Settlement money. to be paid att the first of March 1751 : 2

4 Then the precinct Creditt Was Read & accepted Which is as followeth

precinct creditt Voted

	s	d	qr
To John Warrin for making the precinct Rate in the year 1750. 3 days att 2^{s}. per Day	6	0	0
To Abra^{m}. Whitney for two Staples and one hook for the meeting house Door	0	6	2
To Ebenezor Hammond for Entertaining ministers att the fast	12	0	0
To Jmes mirick for making the precinct Rate in the year 1750. 2 Days att 2^{s}. per day	4	0	0
	2: 10	6	2

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Voted by Said precinct att Said meeting that they Grant The Sum of two pounds ten Shillings Lawfull money to pay the precinct Credittors and Defrey other Charges arising in in Said precinct &c.

The money Granted att the above Said meeting to be paid in to the Treasury by the first of June Next AD. 1752.

1752.

[20.] Att. a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the first precinct of Weston Quallified to Vote in town affairs Deuly Warned in Publick meeting assembled on Tuesday the third Day of march AD. 1752 at the Publick meeting house in Sd town att on of the Clock in the afternoon in order

1 — To Chuse a Precinct Committee and other Precinct officers as the Law Directs

2 — To Hear the Precinct Treasurers account and acte thereon

3 — To Know the minds of the Precinct Whether they will abte the Rates of Mr Williams and Excuse him from Paying Taxes for the Futer

4 — To Know the mind of the Precinct Whether they will abate the Rates of Elisha Cox in Constable Isaac Hagars List

5 — To Know the mind of the Precinct Whether they will abate the Rates of Isaac Cory in Constable William Whitneys List

6 — To Know the mind of the Precinct Whether they will Grant the Sum of one Pound to those that Shall Serve as Collectors as Sallery

7 — To Chuse a Suitable Person to take Care of the meeting house

Moderator Chosen Deaⁿ. Upham

Committee { Deaⁿ Abijah Upham
Nathan Fisk
John Walker }

Clerk & Treasurer Nathan Fisk Sworn march 6. 1752

Assessors { John Warren
John Allen
John Walker } Sworn march 6. 1752

2 — Voted by Said Precinct that the accounts of the Precinct Treasurer be Examined and adjusted by Mr John Walker and Mr Elisha Jones and then to be Recorded

3 — Put to Vote by Said moderator Whether Said Precinct Will abate the Rates of Mr Williams and Excuse him from Paying Taxes for the Futer and it passed in the Negetive

4 —Voted by Said Precinct that they abate the Rates of Elisha Cox in Constable Isaac Hagers List

5 — Voted by Said Precinct at Said meeting they abate the Rates of Isaac Cory in Constable William Whitneys List

6 — Put to Vote by the moderator whether they Will Grant the Sum of one Pound to those Persons as Shall Serve as Collectors and it Passed in the Negetive.

[21.] 7 — Voted that Nathanill Williams take Care of the meeting House this Present year for one Pound Eight Shillings Lawfull money and Said Nathanell Williams accepted thereof

[22.] Att. a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the first Preceinct in Weston Quallified By Law to Vote in town affairs Legally warned in Publick meeting assembled. att the Publick meeting House in Said town on Monday the Twenty Seventh Day of Novr. att two of the Clock in the After-noon then and there

1. —To Grant the Revd Mr Sam^ll Woodwards Sallery for this Present. year Begining Sep^t. 25. 1752. and to Take Care to Procure his fire Wood for this present year

2. — To Hear the Preceinct Credittors accounts and Grant money to Pay the Same

3. — To know the mind of said Preceinct. Whether the Revd Mr Woodwards family Shall have the Improvemet of the Pew Built in Said meeting house for the ministres family, or Whether Said Preceinct Will Procure any other Pew Suitable for Said family

4. — To know the mind of Said Preceinct Whither they will abate the Rates of Josiah Parks in Constable Isaac Gregorys List to the Preceinct

DEA^N. UPHAM *Chosen Moderator*

1.—Voted By Said Inhabitants at Said meeting that Grant to the Rev^d M^r. Sam^ll Woodward for his Sallary this Present year Begining Sep^t 25. 1752 the Sum of Sixty Six Pounds, thirteen Shillings and four Pence Lawfull money

Voted By Said Inhabitants att Said meeting (the Revd Mr Woodward Consenting thereto) that they Grant to the Revd Mr Woodward the Sum of Six Pounds thirteen Shillings and four Pence Lawfull money in Leue of his fire Wood this Present year

Then the Preceinct Credittors accounts Were Read Ware as followeth.

To John Warren four Days making Precenct Rates in the year 1751. att. two Shillings Per day	0	8	0
To John Allen for making Preceinct Rates 4 Day in the year 1751. att two Shillings Per day	0	8	0
To Abraham Whitney for Hooks and Staples for the meeting House	0	1	6
To Nath^ll. Williams for taking Care of the meeting House in the year 1752	1	8	0
[23.] To Braddyll Smith for four Days making Rates for the Preceinct in the year 1751 att 2^s Per Day . . .	0	8	0
To Edward Gearfield cons^be for warning three Preceinct meetings 1^s 7^d Each	0	4	9
To Edward Gearfield for Collecting the Rate for Mr Woodwards Settellment	1	0	0
To Daniel Livermore for Warning three Preceinct Meetings att 1^s. 7^d. Each	0	4	9
To Daniel Livermore. Constable for Collecting the Rate for M^r. Woodwards Settellement	1	0	0
	5	3	0

2. — Voted by Sd Inhabitants att Said meeting that they accept of the above Said account

On the article of Providing a Pew for the Revd Mr Woodwards Voted By Sad Preceinct att Said meeting that they accept of the proposal made By Dea^n Benjamin Brown. Viz. that he freely Gives his Pew Which is Joyning to the East Side of

the Pulpit in the meeting house To Said preceinct, that So they may Give the Same to the Revd Mr Sam^{ll} Woodwards and his Heirs as their Property under the Same Circumstances as the Said Brown Injoyed the Same

3. — Voted by the Inhabitants afore Said att Said meeting that they Give to the Revd Mr Sam^{ll} Woodward and to His Heirs the Pew Which was Dea^{n}. Benjamin Browns, (and Which Said Brown hath Given to Said Preceinct,) unto the Rev^{d}. Mr Sam^{ll} Woodward and to his Heirs, to Injoy, as the other Pews are Injoyed by the Inhabitants of Said Preceinct that Built them

Voted By the Inhabitants afore Said att Said meeting that they Return Dea^{n}. Benjamin Brown their Hearty Thanks for his Generossity in Giving his Said Pew to Said Preceinct, &c

4. —Voted By the Inhabitants of Said Preceinct att Said meeting that they Abate the Rates of Josiah Parks to the Preceinct in Constable Isaac Gregorys List

[24.] **1753.**

WESTON March 2 : 1753

This is a full Discharge to the first Precinct in S^{d} Town for the Sum of One Hundred and Thirty Three Pounds Six Shillings and Eight Pence Lawfull Money, which Sum S^{d} Precinct granted for my Settlement, Which I have Rec^{d} in full of Nathan Fisk Treasurer for S^{d} Precinct, and of others to my full Satisfaction, I say Rec^{d}

℣ SAMUEL WOODWARD

WESTON March 2 : 1754

This is a full Discharge to the first Precinct in Weston for the Sum of Seventy three Pounds Six Shillings and Eight Pence Lawfull Money which Sum S^{d} Precinct granted Me for my first years Salary & Fire-Wood which I have Rec^{d} in full of Nathan Fisk Treasurer for S^{d} Precinct & of others to my full Satisfaction I Say Rec^{d}

℣ SAMUEL WOODWARD

WESTON October 10 1754

rec^{d}. of M^{r}. Nathan Fisk late Treasurer of Said Town Thirty Four pounds Four Shillings & 3^{d}. and of Elisha Jones the present Treasurer Thirty Nine pounds Two Shillings and five pence being in full for my years Sallery Ending September 25. 1753. and also for my Firewood for Said year

SAMUEL WOODWARD

WESTON Octr. 10. 1754

Rec^{d}. of Captn. Elisha Jones Treasur^{r}. the Sum of four pounds Six Shill^{gs} & 1^{d}. being in full of Sum granted by s^{d} Town for my Service in the Gospel Ministry for the year ending Sepr. 10 1750

I have also rec^{d}. before, the Sum granted for the year preceding that

℔ W^{M} WILLIAMS

WESTON March 1 : 1755

This is a full Discharge to the Town of Weston for my Salary and Fire Wood for the year Ending Sep^{t}. 25 : 1754 Which I have Rec^{d} of Capt. Elisha Jones Treasurer.

℔ SAMUEL WOODWARD

[NOTE.—*The three Town Receipts above were written in a vacant space after the Precinct Records had been discontinued.*]

[25.] The account of Nathan Fisk Treasurer for the first prececint in Weston from March 4th. 1750 : 1. to March. 2^{d}. 1752. L. M

	£	s.	d.
Rec^{d} and Paid Out &c			
Rec^{d} of Daniel Perkhurst Cons. in full of his Prececinct Rate	35	6	9
Rec^{d} of W^{m}. Whitney Cons in Part of his Prececinct Rate	27	3	10
Rec^{d} of Joseph Norcross Cons in Part of his Preceinct Rate	36	1	7
Rec^{d} of Isaac Gregory Cons in Part of his Preceinct Rate	38	9	4
Rec^{d} of Elisha Jones Late Treasurer for Sd Preceinct in full	00	5	6
	137	7	0

	£	s.	d.	
Paid by order and assignments to Sundry Persons L. m				
To Mr Wm. Williams in Part of his Last years Sallery .	58	6	6	3
To Mr Dorby for Preaching in Sd Prececinct . . .	6	13	4	
To Mr Bass for Preaching in Said Preceinct . . .	8	8	0	
To Mr Handcok for Preaching in Said Preceinct . .	8	8	0	
To Mr Minot for Preaching in Said Preceinct . .	1	1	4	
To Mr Stevens for Preaching in Said Preceinct . .	6	0	0	
To Daniel Perkhurst By Assignment	00	13	3	
To John Lamson for Entertaing ministers When they Preachd	5	5	4	
To Mr Whitney By assignment	1	1	7	1
To Elisha Jones for Sundry thngs he Provided for ordination	4	1	9	
To Ebr Hammond for Entertaing the Councel at Ordination	6	16	0	
To Isaac Gregory By Assignment	2	10	6	2
To the Revd Mr Woodward Befor his Ordination . .	26	13	4	
To Thos Welch for mending the meeting House Glass .	00	3	7	1
To Mr Goff for his advice about Collectors . . .	00	6	0	
	136	8	7	3
Remains in Said Treasurers hand in Lawfull money .	00	18	4	1
and Cons Wm Whitneys hand Lawfull money . .	7	9	5	
and in Constable Gregory hand	11	6	0	
and in Constable Norcross hand	14	3	1	
and in Constable Edward Gearfield hand . . .	96	12	5	
and in Daniel Livermore Constable hand . . .	112	10	11	
	243	0	2	1

We the Subscribers Being Chosen By Said Preceinct to Examin the Above Said Treasurers Accounts for the year AD. 1751. and find them Well Vouchd and Right Cast

Feb 27 1753 *Pr* John Walker

Elisha Jones

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[27.] At a meeting of the freeholders and Other Inhabitants of the first Preecinct of Weston Quallified By Law to Vote in town affairs Deuly Warned in Publick meeting Assembled at the Publick meeting House in Said Town on Monday the fifth Day of march at four the clock in the Afternoon

1. — To Chuse Preecinct Officers as the Law Directs

2. — To hear and Act upon the Prececinct Treasurers Account for the Last year

3 — To Chuse and Agree With a Suitable Person to take Care of the meeting house

To know the mind of Said Preecinct Whether they Will Abate the Rates of David Hagar to the Preeecinct in Constable Ed^w Gearfields List Said Rates Being £0 — 9*s*. — 8*d*.

NATHAN FISK *Chosen Moderator*

Voted By Said Preceinct That the Preceinct Officers for the present year are as those following Viz

Committed { NATHAN FISK, JOHN WALKER, SAM^LL SEAVEARNS }

Assessors { JOHN WALKER, JOHN WARREN, JOHN ALLEN } Sworn march 9th

Clerk & Treas^r. NATHAN FISK Sworn march 9th

2. — Voted By Said Prececinct at Said meeting that the Prececnct Treasurers Accounts for Last year Be Put over to the Next Precenct meeting

3. — Voted that Nath^ll Williams take Care of the meeting house this Present year for One Pound Eight Shillings and Said Williams Accepte^d thereof

4. — Voted By Said Precceinct that they Abate the Rates of David Hagar in Constable Edward Gearfields List Which are Nine Shillings & Eight Pence

[28.] At a Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the first Precinct in Weston, Quallified By Law to Vote in Town affairs Legally Warned in Publick Meeting assembled att. the Publick meeting House in Said Town: on Thursday the Sixth Day of December at Two of the Clock in the afternoon, AD. 1753. Then and there

1. — To Hear the Precinct Treasures accomp^{ts}. Which was Put over to this meeting

2. — To Grant the Revd Mr Sam^{ll}. Woodwards Sallary for this year Begining September 25th 1753. and to take Care to procure his fire Wood

3. — To know the minde of Said Precinct Whether they will abate the Rates of Daniel. Perkhurst or any Part of them in Constable Livermores List

4. — To know the mind of Said Precinct. Whether those Pews in Said meeting-house Now in the Possession of those Persons Which have no Right to By any Vote of Said Town or Precinct upon Record Shall Be Desposed of By Said Precinct (first paying the Cost of Building) to such persons and upon Such Conditions as Said Precinct Shall think Proper.

MR Elisha Jones, *Chosen Moderator*

Then the Precinct Treasurers accompts was Read which is as followeth

Viz. The accompt of Nathan Fisk Treasurer for the first Precinct in Weston from March Second 1752. to march fifth 1753. Lawfull money Rec^{d}. and Paid out

	£	s.	d.	q
The Ballance of Last years account in my Hand . .	00	18	4	1
Reci^{d} of Constable Norcross in Part of his Precinct Rate	10	13	3	1
Reci^{d} of Constable Whitney in Part of his Precinct Rate	03	01	2	
Rec^{d} of Constable Ed Gearfield in Part of his Precinct Rate	65	10	1	
Reci^{d} of Constable Livermore in Part of his Precinct Rate	84	03	9	
Reci^{d}. of Constable Gregory in full of his Precinct Rate	11	6	0	
	175	12	7	2
Paid to Several persons By orders and assignments &c				
To the Revd Mr Sam^{ll} Woodward in full of his Settlement	133	6	8	
To the Revd Mr Woodward in Part of his Sallarey .	16	14	4	
To John Walker for Mending the Meeting house Glass .	00	06	0	
To Nathan Fisk for a Lock for the Meeting house Door	00	01	6	

	£	s.	d.	q.
To Mr Williams in Part. of his Last years Sallery .	04	00	8	
To the abatement of Josiah Parks Rates in Constable Whitneys List	00	03	8	
To the abatement of Josiah Parks Rates in Const Gregory List	00	05	3	
To the abatement of Isaac Corys Rates in Constable Whitneys List	00	02	9	2
To Mr Williams in full for Preaching. 5 Sabbaths after Sept. 10. 1750	06	08	8	
To Constable Norcross By assignmen	01	04	8	
	162	14	2	2
[29.] Remains in Said Treasures hand . . .	12	18	5	
in Constable Wm Whitneys hand Precinct Rate . .	04	08	3	
in Constable Edw Gearfields. hand Precinct Rate . .	31	02	4	
in Constable Norcross hand Precinct Rate . . .	03	09	9	3
in Constable Livermors hand Precinct Rate . . .	28	07	2	
in Constable Hobbs hand Precinct Rate . . .	38	04	5	
in Constable Nathll. Jenisons hand Precinct Rate .	40	05	3	

2. — Voted By Said Precinct at Said Meeting that they Grant to the Revd Mr Samll. Woodward for his Sallary this Present. year Begining September 25. 1753. The Sum of Sixty Six Pounds thirteen Shillings and four pence. Lawfull Money. and the Sum of Six Pounds thirteen Shillings and four Pence Lawfull money in Luc of his fire Wood this Present year to Be Paid By the first of June Next

3. — Put to Vote By the Moderator Whether the will abate the Rates of Daniel Perkhurst of any Part of them and it Past in the Negetive

4. — Put to Vote. By the Moderator Whether they Will Take into their Possession the afore Said Pews and it Past in the Negetive

At a meeting of the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants of the First Precinct in Weston duly Quallified and Lawfully Warned in Publick meeting Assembled on Monday the fourth day of March AD 1754 at the Publick meeting House in Said Town at Two of the Clock Afternoon Then & There to Chose Precinct Officers for the year Ensewing as the Law directs

2. to hear the Precinct Treasurer[s] accounts for the year past

3 to know the mind of Said Precinct Whether they Will accept of a receipt Short of a Full discharge from M[r]. Williams for his Service in the Work of the Gospell Ministry. When he recieves the remainder of his last years Sallary Which is the Whole of his grants

4. to know the minds of Said precinct Whether they Will abate the rates of Josiah Upham[s] head and y[e] rates of William Parkhurst in Constable Jenisons List

5 to know the minds of Said Precinct Whether they Will abate the rates of Abijah Upham j[r]. in Constable Livermore[s] List

6 to Chose a Suitable Person to Take Care of the Meeting House

1754.

[30.] The precinct proceeded to bring in Their Votes for a Moderator Which being Examined it appeared that Elisha Jones Was Chosen Then it Was Voted that this meeting be Adjourned to Fryday Next. Two of y[e] Clock afternoon and the Moderator Declared Said Meeting to be adjourned accordingly

At a meeting of the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants &c of the First precinct in Weston on Friday the Eighth day of March 1754 at Two of the Clock afternoon. by adjournment from Monday the fourth day of y[e] Same Month. The following persons Were Chosen precinct Officers for the year Ensewing

Viz Committe { ABIJAH UPHAM, ELISHA JONES, SAMUEL SEVERNS }

Clerk ELISHA JONES Sworn march 9. 1754

Treasurer ELISHA JONES Sworn march 11th. &c

Assessors { BRADDYLL SMITH, JAMES MIRICK, JOHN WARREN } Sworn March 11. 1754

To Take Care of the meeting House Benjamin Peirce Was Chosen Who Undertook That Service for one year for 28 Shillings

Then the accounts of Nathan Fisk Precinct Treasurer Were read from March 5. 1753. to March 4. 1754. and accepted as followeth

The Ballance of Last years account in My hand . .	12	18	5
rec^{d}. of Constable Norcros in part of his precinct rate .	2	10	8
rec^{d}. of Constable Wiliiam Whitney in full of his precinct rate	4	8	3
rec^{d}. of Constable Gearfield in full of his precinct rate .	31	2	4
rec^{d}. of Const^{a}. Livermore in full of his Precinct rate .	28	7	2
rec^{d} of Const^{e}. Jenison in part of his Precinct rate . .	25	0	0
	£104	6	10

Paid by orders and assignments to Severall persons &c

Viz: To ye Rev^{d}. Samuel Woodward	90	16	7
To ye Rev^{d}. William Williams in part of his last years Sallary		2	
To Constable Hager by the abatement of Elisha Cox^{es} rates		3	2
To Const^{e}. Edwd. Gearfield by assgnmt	2	2	6½
To Const^{e}. Nat. Jenison by D^{o}.	1	12	9
	£94	17	0½

remains in Said Treasurers hand .	£9	9	9	½
D^{o}. in Const^{e}. Norcross^{es}. hand .		19	1	¾
D^{o}. in Const^{e}. Jenisons hand .	15	5	3	0
D^{o}. in Const. Hobbs^{es} hand . .	38	4	5	
D^{o}. in Const. Hammond hand .	36	2	2	
D^{o}. in Const^{e}. Bigelow hand .	38	12	6	
D^{o}. in Nathl. Jenisons hand by his Note of hand . . .		12	1	
	139–	5.	4.	¼

ye above account have been Examin^{d} & found to be right Cast & well vouched

Per JOHN WALKER

[31.] 3^{d}. Then the Precinct proceeded to Consider the Matter relating to the rev^{d}. M^{r}. Williams^{es} Sallary. & his giving a full discharge to the precinct as Mentioned in ye Warning of This Meeting. & Thereupon

Voted. That Messrs. John Walker Abijah Upham and Nathan Fisk be a Committe to Treat With M^{r}. Williams. and know of him What he Expects further from ye Precinct. to make good the Origenall Contract. over and above ye grants that have been already Made to him &c and to report to ye Precinct at Their Next meeting

4th. Then it was Voted at Said meeting that ye rates of Josiah Upham's head, in Constable Jenison's. List. Shall be abated

Then the Question was put Whether William Parkhurst's. rate Shall be abated in ye Same List. and it passed in the Negative

5 — then it Was Voted at Said meeting that ye rates of Abijah Upham jr. in Constc. Livermore's List shall be abated

THE RECORDS OF THE TOWN OF WESTON, 1754.

[I.] At a meeting of The Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston duly Quallified and Lawfully Warned in Publick Town-meeting Assembled on Monday the fourth day of March AD 1754 at Ten of the Clock in the forenoon at the Publick Meeting House in Said Town Then & There

1 To Chose Selectmen and Other Town Officers for the Ensewing year as the Law directs

2d. To hear the Town Treasurers accounts for ye year past

3d. To know the mind of Said Town Whether Their Swine Shall go at Large This present year

4th. To know the mind of Said Town Whether Their Sheep Shall go at Large from ye 15. of March to ye first of May Next

5th. To know ye mind of Said Town Whether they will mend Their Highways by a rate this present year and grant money for the Same

6th. To know the mind of Said Town Whether they Will accept of a way as marked over the Lands of Mr. Wm. Williams and Jeremiah Whittemore

7th. To know the mind of Said Town Whether They Will accept of a way as marked over the Lands of John Bemis and Isaac Whittemore

8 To know ye mind of Said Town Whether They Will grant money Sufficient for a reading & writing School for Each School House in ye absence of ye Grammar School

9 To know ye mind of Said Town Whether They will give up to Jeremiah Whittemore a piece of a Townway from sd. Whittemores Barn to ye Town Way at Rocky Hill in John Lamsons Land

10th. To know ye mind of Said Town Whether Nathl. Bigelow Shall be rated for his Head

11th. To know ye mind of Said Town Whether They Will

abate ye rates of Josiah Uphams Head, and ye rates of William Parkhurst in Const^e Jenisons List

12. To know ye mind of Said Town Whether they Will abate the rates of Abijah Upham j^r. in Const^e. Livermores List

[2.] The Town proceeded to bring in Their Votes for a Moderator and Upon Examining the Same it appeared That ELISHA JONES was Chosen

Then the following persons were Chosen Town officers for the year Ensewing

Selectmen
- ELISHA JONES
- DEC^N. ABIJAH UPHAM
- CAP^T. SAMUEL BOND
- M^R. SAM^L. SEVERNS
- M^R. ISAAC HAGER

Town Clerk & Treasurer ELISHA JONES. Sworn march 11

Constables Chosen ELISHA JONES and HENRY SPRING Who agreed With JOHN HAGER to Serve in Their Stead. and Was accepted by Said Town & Sworn March 11. 1754

Assessors
- MESS^RS. BRADDYLL SMITH
- JAMES MIRICK
- JOHN WARREN

} Sworn March 11

Surveyors and Collectors &c
- AARON JONES — Sworn march 11
- NATH^L. JENISON
- JAMES SMITH — Sworn march 11
- BENJ^A. MONROE — Sworn march 11
- JOSEPH WHITNEY — Sworn march 11

Tythingmen
- BENJAMIN BOND — Sworn march 11
- JOHN ALLEN

Fenceviewers
- JAMES MIRICK
- JONAS HARRINGTON j^R.

} Sworn march 11

Hogreaves
- JONATHAN STRATTON
- BENJ^A. BOND

} Sworn march 11

Sealer of Leather ISAAC HAGER Sworn march 11

preserver of Dear
- JAMES LIVERMORE
- EDWARD GEARFIELD

} Sworn march 11

pound Keeper ABRAHAM WHITNEY

[3.] 2d The Town Treasurers accounts Were read & accepted Which are as follows

The accounts of Nathan Fisk Treasurer for Weston from March 5, 1753 to March 4, 1754 rec^{d} & paid as follows

rec^{d}. of Constable William Whitney in full of his Town rate	3	14	0
rec^{d}. of Cons^{t}. Isaac Gregory in full of his Town rate	16	10	11
rec^{d}. of Cons^{t}. Danl. Livermore in part of his Town rate	9	15	5
rec^{d}. of Cons^{t}. Edwd. Gearfield in part of D^{o}	15	14	2
rec^{d}. of Const Nathl. Jenison in part of D^{o}	15	14	3
rec^{d}. of William Lawrance by a Note of hand		19	5
	£62	8	2
paid by Orders & Asignments to Several persons			
Due to the Above Said Treas^{r}. by last years acc^{t}	6	6	11
paid Schoolmaster Cotton for his last Quarters Schooling	6	13	4
paid Dec^{n}. Upham for a Highway over his land	7	6	8
paid Sch^{l}. Master Baldwin for Seven months Schooling	14	17	9
paid Joseph Bigelow for Boarding Schoolmaster Cotton 3 months	3	9	4
paid Nathan Fisk for Boarding M^{r}. Baldwin 4 months and	4	12	6
for Money Scales & Weights	1	–	–
paid William Upham for away over his land Ordered by ye Court	–	5	–
paid Nathl. Williams for Boarding M^{r}. Cotton 3 months	3	9	4
paid Isaac Hager for getting ye Town Measures Sealed	0	1	6
paid John Walker for to answer ye presentment of ye County road	0	12	0
paid James Mirick for Bottoming North School House Chair	0	1	2
paid Child ye Glazier for mending School House Windows	0	6	10
paid Mary Gregory for Taking Care of Abr^{m}. Gregory^{s} Family	2	19	6
paid by asignmt to Const. Gearfield	5	15	11
paid by abatement of Saml. Jenisons rate in Const. Whitneys List	0	13	1
paid by abatement of Elisha Cox^{es}. rate in Const. Hagers List	0	14	10
paid Andrew Stimson for away over his land by order of Court	0	5	2
paid Abraham Gale for Boarding M^{r}. Baldwin Ten Weeks	2	13	4
paid Benj^{a}. Harrington for a Cord to go with ye Burying Cloth	0	1	1
paid Saml Severns for a Link & Staple for South School House Door	0	0	8

paid Margarit Spring for Boarding Mr. Baldwin 3 weeks .	0	16	–	
paid by Assignmt. to Constc. Jenison	1	16	7	
paid Mr. Severns for providing for Danl. Parkhursts Family	0	2	5	
paid Peter Cudge for Service done for Danl. Parkhursts. Family	0	8	–	
	£65	8	11	[1]
Ballance due to ye Above Sd. Treasurer . . .	3	0	9	[1]
remains in Const. Livermores. hand Town rate . . .	6	7	0	
remains in Const. Gearfields hand Do	20	6	10	
remains in Const. Jenisons hand Do	2	1	10	
remains in Const. Hobbses. hand Do	22	3	11	
remains in Const Hamons hand Do	33	10	3	
remains in Const Bigelows. hand Do	26	9	9	
remains by a Note from Nathl. Jenison	1	0	10	
remains due from ye Province Treasr. for a Cat Bill . .	0	3	2	[1]
	115	4	4	2

The Above acts. were Examined &. found to be right by

JOHN WALKER } Selectmen
SAM. SEVERNS }

[4.] 3d. Voted by Said Town at ye AforeSd. Meeting that ye Swine Shall go at Large Within ye Town for ye year Ensewing

4th. Voted by Said Town That the Sheep Shall not go at Large from the fiftienth of March to first of May &c

5th. Voted by Said Town that they Will repair & amend their Highways and Townways by a rate this present year. and that ye sum of Fifty pounds be Assessed on ye Inhabitants of Said Town to be paid in Labour by ye Same rule as it was paid in ye year 1747 — and to be paid be ye Last day of October Next

Then it was Voted by Said Town to adjourn this Meeting to Fryday Next 10. Clock

At a meeting of ye Inhabitants abovesd. on Friday ye 8th. day March 1754 by adjournment from ye 4th. day of ye Same Month

6 Voted by Said Town that They accept of a New Town Way thrô. ye Lands of Mr. William Williams and Jeremiah Whittemore provided the Petitioners for Said way Viz Josiah

Hobbs, Ebenezer Hobbs, William Whitney, John Whitney, John Warren, Joseph Whitney and Elisha Warren, pay and Satisfy ye Owners of ye Land. for their Damages Occasioned by Said Way Over & above ye Sum of Twelve pounds Which is to be paid by Said Town. The marks of ye Way as followeth — begining ye Town Way a Little North of John Lamsons House at a White oak Tree mark^d. in M^r. Williams^es Land. thence to a heap of Stones Near the Brook. thence to a red oak Tree mark^d. thence to a great rock With a heap of Stones on ye Top of it. thence to a heap of Stones on ye Top of ye Hill on ye South side of the Orchard, Thence Turning Northeasterly to a heap of Stones by an appletree thence to a heap of Stones by an Appletree. thence to a gray oack Tree marked, thence to a Black oak Tree mark^d. thenc to a Black oak Tree marked by ye fence between ye Lands of Said M^r. Williams & Whittemore thence to a heap of Stones in Whittemores Land by ye Wall thence runing Northerly to a heap of Stones on ye West Side of a Stone wall thence by Said Wall to ye End Thereof to a heap of Stones, thence to a heap of Stones by ye Barn. thence to a heap of Stones. thence to a Small White oak Tree mark^d. Thence to a heap of Stones. Thence to a heap of Stone near S^d. Whittemore^s Cyder mill Thence to a heap of Stones by ye Town Way North of Said Whittemore^s Dwelling-house Said way to be Two rods in Width from ye Southerly & Easterly Sides of ye Marks in M^r. Williams^es Land. and from ye Westerly Side of ye Marks in M^r. Whittemore^s Land. Said Way to be Opened in one year.

7th Voted by Said Town that They accept of a way in ye Lands of John Bemis and Isaac Whittemore Marked as followeth. begining at a Town way near William Lawrences at ye Northwest Corner of Said Bemis^es. Land Thence runing Southerly on ye East Side of a Wall to a heap of Stones in ye Middle of a Barr way. Thenc Turning Southwesterly to a heap of Stones on a rock thence to a Stake & Stones in an Old Fence, by ye Land of S^d. Whittemore thence Turning westerly in Said Whittemore^s Land To ye South Side of a great rock. thence to ye South Side of an Other great rock thence to a Stump and Stones. Thenc Southerly to a Small White oak

Tree marked Near Said Whittemore^{s} Celler. Said way to a rod & half Wide from ye Easterly & Southerly Side of Said marks

[5.] 8th. The Question was put Whether ye Town Will grant money for reading and Writing Schools, and it pased in the Negative

9. Voted by Said Town That Jeremiah Whittemore in One year from this Time Shall have liberty to Shutt up ye Town way from his Barn to rockey Hill, he keeping Convenient Draw Barrs for ye Benefit of any person or person that may Travill in Said Way

10th. Voted by Said Town That Nathaniel Bigelow Shall be Assessed for his Poll for the Future

11 Voted by Said Town that they Abate ye rates of Josiah Upham^{r}. Head. in Cons^{t}. Jenisons List. and the Question being put Whether ye Town Will abate ye rates of William Parkhurst. and it passed in ye Negative

12th Voted by Said Town that they Abate ye rates of Abijah Upham j^{r}. in Const^{e}. Livermore^{s}. List

At a meetng of the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants of ye Town of Weston Duely Quallified and Lawfull Warned in publick Town meeting Assembled in the Publick meeting house in Said Town on thirsday ye Eleventh of April AD. 1754. To know Whether They will Shew Cause Why ye Prayer of a Petition of ye precinct Sett off from Concord, Lexington and Weston by them preferred to ye Great & Generall Court to be Sett off as a Township &c Should Not be granted

1 Elisha Jones Was Chosen Moderator of Said Meeting

Voted by Said Town at Said meeting that it is their Minds That ye Prayer of Said Petition ought not to be granted

1. because it includes four families that Never have belonged to the Said Precinct Viz Theophilous Mansfield, Benj^{e}. Hager John Binny, and Thomas Russell Who were heretofore allowed to remain With ye first Precinct in Weston agreable to ye report of a Committe of ye Great & Generall Court. Who Viewed ye Circumstances of ye Petitioners When they Were Sett off as a Precinct

2 beause it appears to ye Said Town that ye Said Theophilous Mansfield Benjamin Hager, John Binny, and Thomas Russell are Unwilling to be Sett off With the Petitioners but Chose rather to remain With ye Said Town of Weston Where they are best accommodated to do their Duty and receive Priviledges &c

[6.] 2^d. Voted by Said Town at Said Meeting that They Consent. that the Other Inhabitants of Weston Included in Said in Said Petition be Sett of as a Township by the following bounds. begining at the Southwest Corner of Bemis^es Land mentioned in Said Petition thence runing South to ye First Squadron line thence Turning & runing Westerly With ye Said Squadron line to ye Division line Between Theophilous Mansfield and Josiah Parks^es. land, Thence runing Southerly on Said Division line. to ye Next Squadron, thence Westerly to Concord South East Corner Mentioned in Said Petition

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Weston at ye House of M^r. Saml. Baldwin in Said Town on ye 8th of April, 1754 The Said Selectmen with a Constable of Said Town did then Appoint M^r. Nathaniel Felch to be a Sealer of Weights and Measures in Said Town Untill another is appointed in his Stead Who was Sworn according to Law — by Francis Fullam Esqr.

Attest Elisha Jones *Town Cler.*

At a meeting of the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duly Quallified and Legally Warned. in publick Town-meeting assembled. at the Publick meeting House in Said Town on Monday the Thirteenth day of May. AD 1754. at one of ye Clock afternoon Then and There

1 to know whether They will Chose a Selectman in Stead of Capt. Samuel Bond. Who Now belongs to another Town

2^d to know ye mind of the Town Where the grammar School Shall be keept on the North Side of Said Town

3^d to know whether They will abate Daniel Parkhursts rates in Constable Livermore^s. List

4th. to know Whether They Will Excuse Joseph Lovewell from being Taxed for his Poll in ye Province Tax for ye future

5 to know Whether They Will Abate Jonas Cutler^s. rates in Constable Gearfields List

Elisha Jones Was Chosen Moderator. of Said Meeting

1. The Town made Choice of M^r. Ebenezer Hobbs as a Selectman in Stead of Cap^n. Bond

[7.] 2^d Voted by Said Town That the School Shall not be keept any more in the North School House Where it nowStands Then it was Voted That the School Shall be keept on the North Side Four months, Next Comming. Viz: Two months at m^r. Josiah Hobbs^es. and Two months at M^r. Benjamin Bonds

3^d Voted by Said Town That Daniel Parkhurst Shall be abated of his rates. the Sum of one pound Twelve Shillings and that Constable Daniel Livermore Shall have Credit for That Sum in the Town Treasury

[Note. — On fly-leaf, in handwriting of Elisha Jones is written, "Danl. Parkhurst left Weston in April, 1754."]

4th The Question was put Whether Joseph Lovewell Shall be Excused paying for his poll in the Province Tax for ye future. and it passed in ye Negative

5 The Question was put Whether Jonas Cutler^s. rates Shall be abated in Constable Gearfields list and it passed in the Negative

May Meeting 1754

The Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified to Vote in the Choice of a Representative according to the Royall Charter being legally Warned; Did Assemble at the publick meeting House in Said Town on Monday the Thirteenth day of May 1754 at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon and the Major part of the Electors Then present Did Then and There in presence of the Selectmen Elect and Depute Elisha Jones — to Serve for and Represent Them in the Great and General Court Next Ensewing

At a meeting of the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston duly Quallified and Legally Warned in publick Town-meeting assembled at ye publick meeting House in Said Town on monday the fourteenth day of October AD 1754 at Two of the Clock afternoon Then and There

1. To hear the Town Creditors accounts and act Thereon and grant money to pay the Same and for the Support of Schooling and Other Necessary Charges &c

2. To grant the rev^{d}. Mr Woodward his Sallary and make provision for his Firewood

3. To hear and act on a Clause in ye Excise act on Spiritous Liquors relating to private Consumtion

4 To hear and act on a List of Jurors prepared by the Selectmen for ye Superior and Inferior Courts

[8] 5 To know Whether They Will abate Sundry persons rates

6th. To know how They Will provide a place or places for the School to be keept in on the North Side the road

1 The Town Creditors accounts were read and accepted, as are hereafter mentioned. and The Sum of Sixty Eight pounds granted to be raised by Way of a Tax, on ye Polls & Estates of ye Inhabitants of Said Town, as ye Law directs. for ye payment Thereof. and for the Support of Schooling. and for a Town way Thrô. the lands of Messrs. Williams & Whitemore and to pay all unforeSeen Necessary charges arising in Said Town. to be paid into ye Treasury by ye first of June Next

Viz. To Joseph Bigelow. j^{r}. for Six days Work at Stimsons Bridge a 2/8 and 27 feet of Timber for Said Bridge a 18/8. p hun	0. 16. 0 11 3	1 7 3
To David Stearns for four days Work at Stimsons Bridge a 2/2	8. 8	8 8
To James Stimson for eighteen feet of Timber for ye Bridge a 18/8	8. 5	
and for four posts and Labour 4/ . . .	4	12 5
To Samuel Child for Six days Work at ye Same Bridge a 2/2	13	13
To Nathl. Stimson for 62 feet of Timber for ye Same Bridge a 18/8	1 8 11	1 8 11
To Jon^{a}. Stimson for one day Work at ye Bridge .		2
To Dec^{n}. Abijah Upham 54 feet of Timber for ye Bridge a 18/8	1 5 2	
and for Timber for railing the Bridge 1/4 . .	1 4	1 6 6

To Samuel Severns for 6. days Work at ye Bridge a 2/		12	
To William Upham for 15. feet of Timber standing for ye Bridge		4	6
To Thos. Upham for pieces for railing ye Bridge & 31 feet of plank 6/8		6	8
To Const. John Hager for Warning three Town meetings a 3/2		9	6
To Const. Eben^r. Hobbs for Three Town meetings a 1 7	0. 4 9		
and for Sallary 4/	0. 4. 0	8	9
To Nathl. Bigelow Const. for Warning March meeting		1	7
To Joseph Whitney for 71. feet of plank for Hobbs^es. Bridge		7	1
To John Allen for making Town & County rates in ye year 1753. 4 days a 2/. and precinct rate Same year 2 days a 2/	0 12 0		
and precinct rate in 1752. 2 days a 2/ . . .	0 4 0	16	
To John Warren for making precinct rate in 1752. 2 days a 2/	0 4 0		
and for making rates in 1753. 6. days a 2/ . .	0 12 0		
and for making Highway rate & preparing list 2 days in 1754. & paper 1/7	5 7	1 1	7
To Capt. Joseph Harrington & Jabez Harrington for 250 feet of plank for Small Bridges a 8/ . .		1 0	0
To John Walker for making ye precinct rate in. 1752. 2 days	0 4 0		
and 6 days making rate in 1753 a 2/. & drawing a List 2/	0 14 0	18	
To James Mirick for 2 days making Highway rate in 1754		0 4	

2 Voted by Said Town that They grant to the Rev^d. mr Samuel Woodward for his Sallary begining September 25. 1754. ye Sum of Sixty Six pounds Thirteen Shillings and four pence; and also granted to him in Stead of his Firewood ye Sum of Six pounds Thirteen Shillings & four pence all to be paid by the first of June 1755

[9] 3^d. Voted by Said Town that the present Excise bill Including the Claus relating to private Consumtion, is most agreeable to Their minds, if any Duty at all be Laid on Spiritous Liquors

4 Voted by Said Town That they accept of a List of Jurors for the Superior and Inferior Courts. as ye Selectmen have prepared Them

5. Voted by Said Town That they abate Josiah Uphams rates for Two polls in the Town. minister, and County rates. in Const. Nathl. Bigelows List

Voted also that they abate Daniel Livermore his rate for Two polls in ye Province rate in Said Bigelows list

Voted also that They abate William Parkhurst his rate for his poll. in Const. Nathl. Jenison^{s}. List.

6 The Question was put Whether the Town wou^{d}. proceed to place the School on the North Side of the road & it passed in ye Negative

1755.

Att a meeting of the freeholders and Other Inhabitants of Weston Legally Quallified and Lawfully Warned in Publick Town meeting Assembled att the Publick meeting house in Said Town on Monday the Third Day of march AD 1755. att Nine of the Clock in the morning then and there

1. — To Chuse Selectmen and Other Town Officers That are by Law to be annually Chosen

2. — To know Whether the Town will Repair & amend their High-ways and town ways by a Rate the Ensuing year, and If So to Grant money for the Same

3. — To Know Whether The Town will make any Consideration to m^{r} Wm Williams for what his annual Grants are Short of his Original Contracts, for his Service in the work in the Gospel ministry

4. — To know Whether The Town will make any allowance to m^{r} Jonath Bullard a Late Surveyor, for Labour which he Saith he has Done in the Highways, over and above the amount of his highway Rate

5 — To know what the Town will dr Relating to a Complaint made to the Grand-Jury against the Country Road at four mille Brook

6. To know Whether the Town will altar any of the places already agreed on by Said Town to keep the School in the

Sevoral Parts of the Town or Remove any or all of the School-Houses

7. — To here the Petetition of Sundry of the Inhabitants of Said Town praying that the Town would Grant Liberty to any person or persons that will Give Most for the Same to Build Pews in the meeting house Where the Two hind Seats now are, or in any Other place. as the Town Shall think fitt, and appropiate the money or any part thereof to Build a porch on the fore-Side of Said House, and Stairs in it to Go into the Gallaries

[10,] 8. To know Whether the Town Will acept of a Town way as marked to accomodate the South, and South Easterly Part of the Town to Come to meeting Going over the Lands of Elisha Jones Thom^s Rand m^r Wm. Williams Georg Perkhurst Da^n. John Perkhurst John Lamson and Samuel Baldwin.

9. To know Wherther the Town Will Pay Nath^ll Bigelow Late Constable for Serving a Warrant to Warn Elisha Cox and family out of Town p^r order of the Selectmen.

10. To here the Town Treasur^s Accompt and Act thereon

DEA^N ABIJAH UPHAM *Chosen Moderator*

Then the following persons were Chosen by Said Town to Serve in the Respetive offices to which they were Chosen for the Ensuing year

Selectmen	DEA^N. ABIJAH UPHAM NATHAN FISK. ABR^M BIGELOW. EBENEZER HOBBS. LU^T. ISAAC ALLEN.

Town Clerk and Town Treasurer NATHAN FISK, Sworn march. 7th.

Constables.	JOHN ALLEN JOHN WARREN	Sworn march. 7th.
Assessors.	BRADDYLL SMITH SAM^LL. BALDWIN THEO. MANSFIELD	Sworn march. 7th.

Surveyors of High way^{s} and Collectors	JAMES LIVERMORE	Sworn march. 7th.
	SAM^{LL}. CHILD	Sworn march. 7th.
	ELISHA FULLAM	
	ISAAC GREGORY	Sworn march 7th.
	JER^{M}. WHITTEMORE J^{UR}	Sworn march. 7th.

Tything-men { ABRAHAM JONES, THO^{S}. RUSSELL } Sworn march. 7th.

Hogreaves { SAM^{LL} BALDWIN, THO MANSFIELD } Sworn march. 7th.

[11]. Fence Viewers { NATH^{LL}. FELCH., ABIJAH UPHAM J^{UR} } Sworn march. 7th.

Sealer of Leather ISAAC HAGAR Sworn march. 7th.

Preserver of Dear { SAM^{LL} CHILD., JOHN MIRICK JUR. } Sworn march. 7th.

Pound keeper { NATH^{LL}. GODDARD

Benjamin Pierce to Take Care of the Meeting House for 28. Shillings

2^{ly} Voted by Said Town att the above Said meeting that they will Repair and Amend their High ways and Town ways this present year by a Rate, and that the Sum of Fifty Pounds be Granted and Levey^{d} By way of Tax on Said Inhabitants for that Vse

3.^{ly} Voted By Said Town att Said Meeting That they Excuse m^{r} Wm Williams from Paying Rates to Be made So Long as he Remains in the Town of Weston Provided He Discharge Said Town in full of all Demands upon Said Town of any Arrears upon the account of the Deficiency^{s} of Their Grants to him, or Getting his fire Wood &c While Said Williams was in the Work of the ministry in Said Town

4^{ly} Voted By Said Town att Said Meeting that they will not allow m^{r} Jonathan Bullard any thing for high-way work Which he Says he hath Done more than his Rates

5^{ly} Voted by Said Town that they Desire m^{r} Ebenezer Hobbs the present Grand Jury to Inform the Grand-Jury That

it is the Duty of perticular persons to mantain and keep the Dam att four mile Brook in Good Repair and not the Towns

6ly Voted By Said Town at Said Meeting That they will not keep the Gramer School in More than Three Places in Said Town for the futer

And also voted that Messrs Josiah Cooledge Abraham Bigelow and Samll Baldwin. Be a Committee to View the North Side of Sd Town and Report to the Town their Oppinion Where the most Conveninant Place is to Remove the North School House too

7ly. The Question was put Whether the Town will Give Liberty to any persons to build Pews in the meeting House and it Passed in the Negetive

8ly. Voted to accept a Town Way as marked over the Lands of Elisha Jones and Others and also £20 Granted to Be Put into the Hand of Said Elisha Jones, he having agreed to Satisfie the Owners of the Land for that Sum. also Voted that the Sd Elisha Jones be Impowered to appear in

[12] Behalf of Said Town, to make the Owners Satisfaction, &C.

The afore Said Town Way as marked is as followeth Viz– Begining at the Town Way Leading from Elisha Jones old House (which was Perkhurts.) to the Country Road, Turning out of Said Way Near the Barrs that goes into his field on the South Side of a fast Rock with Stones on it, in Said Jones Land, thence to a Large Rock with Stones on it, Thence to an other Large Rock with Stones on it, in the Lands Sett off to George Perkhurst Widow, Thence to the End of mr Williams Stone Wall, Thence by Said Wall Till it Comes to the Old Rail fence, thence partly on mr Williams Land to a White oak Tree markd Thence to an old Stump with Stones on it in the Lands Sett off to George Perkhurts Widow as her Thirds Near mr Williams fence, Thence by Said fence to a Small Oak Staddle within the fence, Thence across a Corner of mr Williams field to a flat Rock with Stones on it, Thence to a maple Tree markd on the Edge of George Perkhurst meadow, Thence acrosst Said meadow and a Corner of Dean John Perkhursts meadow and a Corner of John Lamsons meadow to a Rail that Stands upon End against Said Lamson Wall Thence across Said Lamsons Land and a Corner of Samll Baldwins Land to a

Stake at the Country Road Near the East End of the East Stable: Said way to be Two Rods Wide Except in the meadow Land, and the Land of Said Lamson and Said Baldwin. and there to be a Rod and half Wide; Said way to be on the Westerly Side of Said mark[s]

Voted that the above Said Way Shall be opened in Eighteen months from this Time

9[ly] Voted by Said Town to pay m[r] Nath[ll] Bigelow Seven Shillings for Warning Elisha Cox and family out of Town

rec[d] y[e] foregoing Sum

℔' NATHANAL BIGELOW

10[ly] Voted to accep[t] the Town Treasur[s] Accomp[t]. for Last year: Which is as followeth

Viz — The accompt of Elisha Jones Treasurer of Weston from marh 4. 1754. to march 3 1755

	£	S	P	Q
Reci[d] of Nathan Fisk a Late Treas[r] of the precinct .	09	09	09	2
Re[d] of m[r] Edward Gearfield Late Cons in part of his To. Rates	08	18	08	
Rec[d] of m[r] Daniel Livermore Late Cons in part of his To Rates	00	17	10	
Rec[d] of m[r] Nath[ll] Bigelow in full of his precinct Rate & part of his Town Rate	62	16	02	
Rec[d] of m[r] Eb[r]. Hammond Late Const in full of his ministers Rate and Part of his Town Rate . .	40	17	11	
Rec[d] of m[r] Nath[ll]. Jenison in full of his Town Rate and in part of his precinct Rate	08	13	05	2
Rec[d] of m[r] Joseph Norcross Late Cons in full of his Prec[t] Rate	00	19	01	3
Rec[d] of m[r] Ebenezer Hobbs in full of his Precinct Rate and part of his Town Rate	55	07	04	3
	£188	00	4	2

Paid out to Sundery persons as followeth

	£	S	D	Q
[13] Paid the Rev[d] m[r] Sam[ll]. Woodward in full of his Sallary Ending September 25 1753 . . .	39	02	05	
Paid the Rev[d] m[r] Sam Woodward in full of his Sallary Ending September. 25 1754	73	06	08	

	£	S	D	Q
Paid Nathan Fisk Late Treasurer Being a ballance Deu to him Last year	03	00	09	1
Paid the Clerk of the Session for Entring two Cautions against Simeon Hagar and abijah Gale . . .	00	02	00	
Paid Mr Wm Williams in full of his Sallary Ending Set 10 1750	04	06	01	1
Paid mr Samll. Baldwin for Boarding the Schoolmast 4 months	04	12	06	
Paid mr Benjm. Harrington and Jonas for Building a pound	05	06	08	
Paid mr Joseph Bigelow for Boarding the School master 17 weeks	04	10	08	
Paid by assigment to Cons Nathll. Bigelow . . .	06	10	08	2
Paid mr Josiah Upham by the abatement of Rates in Con Bigelow List	00	12	08	
Paid him by the abatement of his Rates in Cons Jenisons List	00	10	04	3
Paid to Constable Jenison by the abatement of Wm Perkhursts Rates	00	10	04	3
Paid to Constable Bigelow by the abatement of Dall. Livermors Rates	00	04	06	
Paid Constable Jenison by the Late Treasurs order to Pay Peter Cridge	00	04	08	
Paid to Constable Ebenezer Hammond by assignment .	08	12	06	2
Paid Abijah Gales Wife in full for Taking Care of Abm. Gregory familly	02	16	00	
paid Cons Hammon by order from Late Treasr to pay Nathll Williams	01	08	00	
Paid mr Samuel Baldwin School master . . .	23	15	07	
Paid to Constable Hobbs by assigment . . .	07	02	04	
Paid mr Samuel Hastings for mending Center School H. Glass	00	03	7	1
	186	19	02	1
Remans in Said Treasurers Hand	01	01	02	1
Remains in Constable Edwd Gearfields Hand Town Rate	11	08	02	
Remains in Constable Daniel Livermors Hand Town Rate	5	9	2	
Remains in Constable Nathll Bigelows Hand Town Rate	2	6	1	
Remains in Constable Eb Hammond Hand Town Rate	28	14	6	
Remains in Constable Nathll Jenisons hand Precinct Rate and in his hand by a Note of hand . .	8	13	7	2
	1	12	11	

	£	S	D	Q
Remains in Constable Eben Hobbs hand Town Rate .	5	00	11	
Remains in Constable John Hagar[s] hand Town Rate .	68	00	00	
Remains in Said Hagar hand ministers Rate . .	73	06	8	
And in the Provinces Treasurers hand for a wild Catt .	00	03	2	1

We the Subscribers having Examined the foregoing accompts and find them well Vouched and Right Cast

ISAAC HAGAR } Selectmen
EBENEZER HOBBS }

[14]. At a meeting of the freeholders and Other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified by the Royal Charter to Vote in the Choice of a Representative Being Legally warned Met together at the Publick Meeting House in Weston on monday the : 12th Day of may AD. 1755. — at one of the Clock in the after noon, the major Part of Electors then present, Did then and there in presence of the Select-men Elect and Depute M[r] ABRAHAM BIGELOW To Represent them in a Great and General Court or assembly Next Ensuing.

At a meeting of the freeholders and Other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duely Warned, and Quallified to Vote in Town affairs in Publick Town meeting assembled att the Publick meeting house in s[d] Town, on Monday the. 12th. Day of may at Three of the clock in the after-noon

1. — To know the mind of Sd Town Whether they will Chuse a Committee to answer a Law Suit at the Next Inferior Court which m[r] Jonathan Bullard has Comminced against Sd Town

2. — To know the mind of Sd Town Whether they will Sell their Right in the farm Granted to Watertown Weston, and Waltham and Chuse a Committee for that purpose

3. — To know the mind of Sd Town Whether the Proportion of Schooling Belonging to the North School-House Shall be kept in Two places Provided the Inhabitants Belonging to Sd

School house Erect and Build one house at their own Cost and Charge

4. — To know the mind of Sd Town Whether they will Take into their hands the Pews in Sd meeting House Belonging to Sd Town and Despose of them as they Shall Think proper

5 — To know the mind of Sd Town Whether they will Seat the Inhabitants of Sd Town, in Sd meeting House, and Chuse a Committee and Give them Such Instructions and Rules to Seat by as Said Town Shall think Proper and Suitable

6. — To know the mind of Sd Town Whether they will abate the Rates of Samuel Cory Ju^r^ to the Precinct in Constable Hammods List

Leu^t^. Isaac Allen *Chosen Moderator*

[15.] 1. — Voted by Sd Town at Sd meeting that they Chuse a Commitee to answer the Law Suit at the Next Inferior Court, Comminced against Sd Town, by m^r^ Jonathan Bullard, and that m^r^ John walker m^r^ Ebenezer Hobbs be a Committee to Joyn with, and assit Nathan Fisk in Sd affair

2. — Voted by Said at Sd meeting that they will not Sell their Part in the farm Belonging to Watertown weston and waltham near Watchuset Hill

3. — Voted by Sd Town at Sd meeting that the Proportion of Schooling Belonging to the north School in Sd Town Shall Be Keep^t^ in two Places, provided the Inhabitants Belonging to Sd School Build and Keep in Repair one School House, at their own Cost and Charge

4 — Voted by Said Town at Sd meeting that they Take into their Hands and Dispose of them as they Shall think proper the following Pews. viz m^r^ Theo Mansfield^s^ m^r^ Nath^ll^ Felches, m^r^ Thos. Uphams and Le . Isaac Allens

5 — Voted by Sd Town at Sd Meeting that they will Seat the meeting House in Sd Town

Voted that the Desposal of the above Sd Pews, the Chusing a Committee to Seat the meeting House and the Giving Instructions for Seating the meeting House, Be Defer^d^ to an other oppertunity

6. — Voted By Sd Town at Sd meeting that they abate the

Rates of Sam^{ll} Cory Ju^{r} to the Preceinct in Constable Hammonds List

ADJUSM^{T} OF THE BRIDGE AT WATERTOWN

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown Weston and Waltham At the House of m^{r} Richard Cutting^{s}. in Waltham Sep^{t} Nineteenth, 1755 — To Adjust the Charge of the Great Bridge over Watertown River — And upon Setleing Accomp^{ts} there Was Due to Weston the Sum of £3 — 14 — 7 — 2
And also Due to Watertown of the Last Adjustment
Attest NATHAN FISK *Town Clerk* £1 — 0 — 1 — 2

[16.] Whereas this Town at their anniversary Meeting March 3^{d}. 1755, pass'd a vote, That they Excuse M^{r}. William Williams from paying Rates So long as he remains in Weston, provided he discharge Sd Town in full of all Demands of any Arrears upon the Account of the Deficiency of their Grants to him or getting his Firewood, while Sd Williams was in the Work of the Ministry in Sd Town

In Consideration of Sd Vote & understanding it that ye Sd. Town fully excuse & exempt me as to person or Estate from being Rated or paying any Taxes whatsoever, Either to the Province, County, Town or Ministry So long as I Shall continue in this Town, and on this Condition I do fully Discharge the Sd Town of all Arrears of my Salary upon ye acc^{t}. of the Deficiency of their Grants or for my Firewood or any Demands whatsoever for my past Services in the work of ye Ministry

Witness my hand, October 8th. AD. 1755. W^{M}. WILLIAMS

WESTON Feb : 27 : 1756

This is a full Discharge to the Town of Weston, from all my Demands either for Salary or Fire-Wood, for the year Ending Sept : 25 : 1755, which I have rec^{d}. of M^{r}. Nathan Fisk Treasurer for Weston ℔ SAMUEL WOODWARD

The following Persons have Been Warned by order of the Selectmen to Depart out of the Town of Weston : & Caution^{s} Entred against them at the Court of General Sessions

Viz. the Widow Mary Flagg and her Infant Child Come from

Waltham: and Jane Thomas Come from Waltham: and Hannah Hagar, alias Chaffen Come from Watertown: Cautions Entred at the Sessions May 1755

Thomas Partridge and Miriam, his Wife, Come from Reading Warned out, and Caution Entred at the Sessions December 1755 NATHAN FISK *Town Cler*

[17.] At a meeting of the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duely Quallified and Legally Warned in Publick Town meeting assembled at the Publick meeting on Monday the Eighth Day of Decr AD, 1755. at Ten of the clock in the forenoon Then and there

1. — To Here the Town Creditors accompts and Grant Money to pay them also to Grant the Rev^d m^r Sam^ll. Woodwards Sallary for this present year Begining Sep^t. 25. 1755. and to take Care to procure his fire-wood Sd year, To Grant money for Schooling and other Necessary Charges that have or may arise in Sd Town this present year

2. — To Consider of and act upon those Articles which Remained Last meeting to be Considered at another meeting and Whether Sd Town will Take into their Hands the Pew formerly in the possession of m^r Joseph Woollson Deceas^d and Despose of it as they Shall Think proper

3. — To know the minde of Said Town Whether they will prosecute, their Case against m^r Jonathan Bullard, appeal^d to the Next Superior Court to be Holden at Charlstown

4. — To know the mind of Said Town Whether they will Sell the School-House on the North Side of Said Town to the Higest Bidder and Improve the money to Rebuild another School House on the North Side of Said Town: or Remove Sd House Where it ought to Stand

5. — To know the mind of Said Town Whether they will Sell or Divide the Farm Belonging to the Towns. of Watertown Weston and Waltham, if So, to Chuse a Committee. to Joyne with the Committees Chose by Said Watertown and Waltham, to manage Sd affair

6. — To, Hear the offer Dea^n. Parkhurst. Hath to make to Said Town Concerning the Dam over Four mile Brook

7. — To know the mind of Said. Town Whether they will. abate. the Rates of Moses Jones Deceas^{d}. in Constable : Hobbs List

LEU^{T} ISAAC ALLEN *Chosen Moderator*

Then the Town Creditors accompts were Read. which are as followeth

The following accompts Read and accepted. by Sd. Town

	£	s.	d.	
[18.] To John Allen for making the Steps at the meeting House South Door in Sd Town . .	0	13	4	
and for Drawing Lists	0	01	6	
To John Warren for Two Days Taking Invoice . .	0	04	0	
and making Rates Eight Days	0	16	0	
and Drawing Lists	0	2	0	
To Braddyll Smith for making the High-way Rate and Drawing Lists for the General Court in 1754 . .	0	04	0	
and Drawing Lists and Taking the Invoice and making the Province Rate in Said year 7 Days .	0	14	0	
and making the County and Town in Sd year 5. Days	0	10	0	
To Braddyll Smith for making the Highway and Drawing List & taking the Invoice in 1755 . . .	0	08	0	
and making the province Rate 3 Days 1/2 . .	0	07	0	
and To Paper	0	03	6	
To Sam^{ll} Baldwin for making the Highway Rate Drawing List & taking Invoice 3 days in 1755 . .	0	06	0	
and making the province Rate in Sd year 3. Days 1/2.	0	07	0	
To James Mirick for making Rates 7 Days . . .	0	14	0	
To Jonathan Bullard for keeping the Widow Stanup. from June. 9th. 1755. to Decr. 1th. 1755. 25 weeks at Two Shillings and Eight pence per week. . .	3	06	8	
To John Hagar Late Constable. for Warning Last march meeting	0	03	2	
To Thos. Rand for making a Table for the School House	0	04	8	
and making a frame & Casement puting them up and altering Seats and Nails	0	03	4	
To Theophilus Mansfeild for 234. feet of plank at Ten Shilling per Hundred	1	03	6	
and making the Highway Rate and Taking the Invoice and making the province Rate 6 Days 1/2 .	0	13	0	
To Joseph Whitney for Six pieces of Timber for Bridgs at 1^{s}. 4^{d}. per piece	0	08	0	
and for Two other pieces for a bridge at 6^{d}–1^{q}. Each	0	01	0	2
To Theophilus Mansfield for 3 String pieces for Bridg	0	03	4	
	11	17	0	2

Voted By Sd Town Sixty Six pounds Thirteen Shillings and four pence for the Revd mr. Woodwards Sallary this present year Begining Sept 25 1755 . .	66	13	4
Voted by Sd Town — Fourty pounds for Schooling .	40	00	0
The Revd mr Woodward Having Relinquishd five pounds Six Shillings and Eight pence of his Standing Sallary for this present year: one pound Six Shilling and Eight pence Granted for his fire wood for this year	1	06	8
[19.] Voted by Said Town at Said meeting that the Sum of Twenty Pounds be Granted to Purches a Way Laid out and accepted by Sd Town our the Meadows South of Sd Meeting House, . . .	£ 20	s 0	d 0
Voted by Said Town at Sd meeting that the Sum of Eight pounds Two Shillings & Eleven pence be Granted for Contingent Charges	08	2	11
Which makes in the Whole Granted by Sd Town for the Town Rate this year to be Eighty Pounds .	80	00	0
The ministers Rate granted this year to be Sixty Eight Pounds	68	00	0

2 Put to Vote By the moderator Whether they will act upon those articles which Remained to be Considered at a another Time and it passed in the Negitive.

3. Put to Vote by the moderator Whether they would Prosecute the appeal at the Next Superiour Court against mr Jonathan Bullard and it passed in the Negetivee

4. Voted by Said Town at Sd meeting that they will Sell or Remove the School-House on the North Side of Sd Town: and that Meuss Dean. Upham Capt. Elisha Jones, & mr John Jones be a Committee to Sell or Remove Sd School-House at their Discresion; if Sold to Improve the money towards Building an other House in Such Place as Shall be hereafter Directed — also Voted that the Committee appointed to Sell or Remove the North School House be als Impowered to appoint the places Where Two School Houses Shall Stand on the North Side of Said Town: and the old School-house if not Sold, to be Removed to one of Sd Places: the Other to be Built new by perticular persons and not at the Towns Cost — and Both to be Compleated as Soon as may be

5. Voted by Sd Town at Said meeting that they will Sell or Divide the Farm Belonging to the Towns of Watertown Weston and Waltham and Messrs m^{r} John Jones, m^{r} Abraham Bigelow and m^{r} Braddyll Smith be a Committee to Joyne with the Committees of Watertown and Waltham to Manage Sd affair

6. Article in Sd Warning Voted to be Desmised

7. Voted by Sd Town at Said meeting that they abate the Rates of Moses Jones in Constable Hobbs List.

1756.

[20.] At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of ye Town of Weston duly Quallified & Lawfully Warned, in publick. Town-meeting assembld on Monday the first day of March AD 1756 at ye Publick meeting house in Said. at Ten of ye Clock in the forenoon

Then & There

1. to Chose Selectment & other Town Officers As ye Law Directs

2^{d}. to hear the Town Treasurers accounts for Last year

3. to know the mind of the Town Whether Their Swine Shall go at Large this present year

4 to know the mind of the Town Whether They will repair Their Highways, this present year by a rate & grant money Therefor

5. to agree with a Suitable person to Take Care of ye meeting house

6 To know ye mind of Said Town whether They will give leave to any of the Inhabitants of Said Town to build Pews Where the Two hind seats are below

7 to grant the Pews already Belonging to Said Town to Such persons and upon Such Conditions as They Shall Think proper

8 to Chose a Committee to Seat ye meeting house and give Them Instructions Therefor

9 to know ye mind of Said Town Whether They will abate unto Nathl Bigelow So much money of his list of rates as fall Short of What he was Oblidged to pay out

10th to hear the petition of Sundry of the Inhabitants of Said Town relating to the Schoolhouses on the north side of Said Town

11th to know ye minds of Said Town Whether They will Take Thirty five pounds Old Tenr. for the Schoolhouse on ye North Side of Said Town Which Josiah Willengton Offers —— &c. &c —— &c

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS WERE CHOSEN INTO OFFICE &c

Viz *Moderator Chosen* was ELISHA JONES

Selectmen Messrs	1 ELISHA JONES 2 SAMUEL SEVERNS 3. JOHN HASTINGS 4. ABRAM BIGELOW 5 ISAAC ALLEN

Town Clerk & Town Treasurer ELISHA JONES. Sworn march 8. 1756

Constables	SAMUEL TRAIN WILLIAM LAWRENCE	Sworn march 8th.&c
Assessors	BRADDYLL SMITH JOHN WARREN JOHN ALLEN	Sworn march 8th.&c
[21.] Surveyors of Highways and Collectors &c	NATHANIEL WILLIAMS	Sworn march 8
	WILLIAM SMITH JR.	Sworn March 8.
	ABRAM. JONES	Sworn March 8.
	JOHN BEMIS	Sworn March 12
	DAVID FLAGG	Sworn March 8
Tythingmen	JOSEPH WHITNEY JOSIAH COOLEDGE	Sworn march 8
Hogreaves	JOHN BEMIS	Sworn march 12
	JOSIAH PARKHURST	Sworn march 8
Fenceviewers	ISAAC JONES	Sworn march 8
	JOHN MIRICK JR	Sworn march 8
Sealer of Leather	THOMAS RUSSEL	Sworn march 8
Preservers of Deer	JAMES LIVERMORE JAMES SMITH	Sworn march 8
Pound keeper	NATHL. GODDARD	

Benjamin Peirce Was Chosen to Take Care of the Meeting-House and under-Took to Sweep ye Same. Open & Shutt ye Doors; as there Shall be occasion one year for Twenty Eight Shillings

2. The Town Treasurers accounts Were read & accepted as followeth

Viz The accounts of Nathan Fisk Treasurer for Weston from March 3^d 1755 to March 1. 1756. rec^d. & paid as Followeth

rec^d. of Capt. Elisha Jones the Ballance in his hand .	£1	1	2	1
rec^d. of Const. Edwd. Gearfield in full of his Town rate	11	8	2	
Rec^d. of Const. Daniel Livermore in full of his Town rate	5	9	2	
rec^d. of Const. Eben^r. Hammond in part of his Town rate	8	3	2	
rec^d. of Const^e. Nathl. Jenison for a Note of hand of his	1	12	11	
rec^d. of Said Jenison in part of his Town rate . .	8	3	6	
rec^d. of Constable Eben^r. Hobbs in part of his Town rate	4	10	11	
rec^d. of Const. John Hager in full of his Minister rate	73	6	8	
rec^d. of Said Hager in part of his Town rate . .	15	18	10	
	£129	14	6	1

[22.] paid by Orders and Assignments as followeth

Viz. To the rev^d. m^r. Woodward in full for his Sallary & Firewood one year Ending September 25. 1755	£73	6	8	
To m^r. Saml. Baldwin in full for his keeping School in Town	11	15	6	3
To m^r. Saml. Baldwin in full for boarding ye School-master	6	18	8	
To Const^e. Hager by assignment	12	18	7	
paid by order of the Selectmen Cost of Two Courts against m^r. Bullard	3	0	6	
To Josiah Hobbs in full for Boarding ye School master	2	6	5	
To m^r. James Stimson for plank for Watertown Bridge	2	2		
paid by Order of the Selectmen Cost of ye Presentment of ye Country road	1	7	6	2
To Support Moses Jones in Sickness	1	7	6	1
To Benj^a. Peirce for Taking Care of the meeting House & mending ye Door	1	9	4	
To Schoolmaster Fisk in part for Schooling & his Board	2	2		
for Stamp^d. paper for Two Warrants for May meeting			9	3
for a Warrant to Carry Wid. mary Flagg & Child to Waltham	0	1		

for Entring a Caution at ye Sessions against Elisha Cox and Family & ye Widow Mary Flagg & Child .	0	2		
To m^r. Eben^r. Hobbs in part to purchase a way to Meeting	6	14	7	1
for mending ye Meetinghouse glass . . .	0	6		
by Abatement of Danl. Parkhursts rates in Cons^e Livermore^s List	1	12		
by ye Abatem^t of Abijah Upham^s rate in Livermore^s List	1	3	2	
by abatem^t. of Moses Jones^es. rate in Const^e. Hobbs^es. List	1	0	3	3
	£129	14	8	1
Remains in Constable Nathl. Bigelow^s hand of ye Town rate	2	6	1	
rem^s. in Const^e. Eben^r. Hammonds hand of ye Town rate	20	11	4	
rem^s. in Const. Nathl. Jenison^s. hand Town rate . .		10	1	2
rem^s. in Const. Eben^r. Hobbs^es. hand Town rate . .		10		
rem^s. in Const. John Hager^s. hand Town rate . .	52	1	2	
rem^s. for a Catt Bill		3	2	1
rem^s. in Constable John Warrens hand Town rate .	37	19	2	2
and in his hand for the Ministers rate . . .	33	3	0	2
Rem^s. in Const. John Allen^s. hand of the Town rate .	42	0	9	2
and in his hand for the Ministers rate . . .	34	16	11	2

3^d Voted by Said Town at Said Meeting That Their Swine Shall go at Large This year

4th Voted by Said Town That Their Highways & Town ways Shall be repaired by a Rate this present year. and That. the Sum of Fifty pounds be raised by a Tax on Said Inhabitants. to be Worked out in the Same maner and by ye Same rule That Was agree^d. on by Said Town in in ye year 1747. & to be Worked out by ye Last of Octr. next

[23.] 5th — — — — — — —

6th. Voted by Said Town That They give Liberty to remove Two hind Seats of a Side below in the body of the Meeting house in order to build Pews. and That the Alleys at ye End of the Seats, Next the Stairs, may be Stoped, if it Will accomodate Building Three pews of a Side

Adjournment

Voted by Said Town That This meeting with the remaining buisiness be adjourned to monday Next One of ye Clock afternoon Which the Moderator Adjourned accordingly

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified To Vote in Town affairs on monday the Eighth of march 1756. by adjournment from the first day of Said march

VOTE RELATING Y^E PEWS & SEATING Y^E MEETING-HOUSE

7th Voted by Said Town That the Pews belonging to the Town Shall be disposed off, as Shall be hereafter Ordered, as Well as Those that are to be New Built. Viz That the Persons to Whom They Shall be granted. Shall Enjoy Them during life. Viz during the life of ye man & of his Wife, and That the^s Grantee^s. Shall be at the Cost of Building Their respective pews, and Those that Shall have Them : that are already built : Shall pay to the Heirs of the persons That first built Them ; the prime Cost of Building and that the highest payers in the Two last lists of Valluation of real Estate Together With Twenty Shillings ℔ year to be allowed for Eage. Shall have the Offer of a Pew, Each of Them Till the Whole are disposed off — and That Messrs. John Walker, Elisha Jones and Braddyll Smith be a Committee fully impowered to dispose of the Pews to Such persons as Shall accept ye Same as aforeSaid and that the Lessor Shall have ye benefit of Estate that is Leased &c

8th Voted by Said Town That Messrs. John Walker, Elisha Jones & Braddyll Smith be a Commt^ee to Seat ye meeting-house by ye same rule that it was Seated in ye year 1749 and make report to ye Town as Soon as may be —— of Their doings Therein and of Their disposing of ye Pews &c

and Whereas There are Some persons in ye possession of Some of ye Pews. that do not of right belong to Them &c Therefore

Voted by Said Town That ye persons To Whom Said pews Shall be granted (by the aforeS^d Comm^tee appointed to dispose of them.) Shall be at all Cost & Charge That may arise in gaining the possession of the irrespective Pew So granted &c

[24.] 9th. The Question was put, Whether the Town Will abate any Thing to to Nathl. Bigelow. of his rate Bill. and it passed in ye Negative

10 Voted to dismiss ye Petition relating to ye Schoolhouses on ye North Side of Said Town

11 Voted by Said Town That Josiah Willington Shall have the North Schoolhouse to remove to his own land for a Dwelling House for Four pounds Thirteen Shillings & four pence provided he pays the Town Treasurer That Sum in hand

REPRESENTATIVE

At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of The Town of Weston duely Quallified according to the Royal Charter to Vote in the Choice of a Representative Legally Warned, in Publick Town meeting assembled at the meeting-house in Weston on monday the Tenth day of may AD 1756 at one ⁰Clock afternoon. The Major part of the Electors Then present Did in the Presence of the Selectmen Then and There Elect and Depute ELISHA JONES to Serve for and Represent Them in the Great & General Court or Assembly next Ensewing

[NOTE. On page 374, near the end of the Town Book, are the following records in the handwriting of Elisha Jones: —

May 8, 1756 Bathsheba Moulton was Warned out of Town and Cautioned against

Decr 1756 Jno Knight Chris^r. Capen & Mary Priest were Warn^d. and Caution^d.

May 1757, Jonas Bowman. Mary Chubb. Silence Chubb. & Saml. Gooding & wife were Warn^d & Caution^d.]

At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston duely Quallified and Legally Warned. in Publick Town meeting Assembled at the Meetinghouse in Said Town on monday the Tenth day of May AD 1756 at Three O,Clock afternoon Then & There

1. To know the Towns mind Whether They will Impower Their Committee (Viz Messrs. John Jones Abram Bigelo and Braddyll Smith). appointed on the 8th. of Decr. last to Joyn With Comm^tees Chosen by the Town^s. of Watertown and Waltham to Sell or Divide Their Farm near Watchuset-Hill to Execute a Lawfull Deed. or Deeds of the Same, and to Take Sufficient Security for What ye Same may be Sold for

2 To hear the report of the Comm^tee appointed to dispose ofthe Pews — Also Said Comm^tees report of Their Seating the Meeting-House

3 To know whether the Town Will Chose a Surveyor of Highways and Collector in ye room of John Bemis. Who is gone or going into the Kings Service

[25.] 1 Voted. by Said Town at Said meeting That the Comm^tee^ Chosen by Said Town on the Eighth of Decr. Last to Joyn With the Committee^s^. of Watertown and Waltham to Sell or Divide the Farm of Two Thousand acres near Watchuset Hill belonging to Said Towns — Viz Messrs John Jones Abram Bigelo and Braddyll Smith. be and hereby Authorized and fully Impowered in the Said Town of Weston^s^ behalf. to Make and Execute a good and lawfull Deed or Deeds of Conveyance of the Farm afores^d^. To Such person or persons as Will give most for the Same and also To Take Sufficient Security for Said Towns part of The money That the Said Farm may be Sold for

2^d^ — Voted that the report of the Comm^tee^ appointed to dispose of Some Pews in the meetinghouse be accepted. Which is as followeth Viz: The Comm^tee^ appointed to dispose of The Pews, and Seat the meetinghouse have attended That Service, and have given the Highest payers ye Offer of ye Pews agreable to the Towns vote. and have granted accordingly Ten Pews to Such persons as Would accept of the Same. and have disposed of the Pews already Built in Manner following

Viz. To Elisha Jones the Second Pew. East. from the Pulpit

To. John Warren the Pew in the Northwest Corner of the meetinghouse

To. Theophilous Mansfield the Pew Next the South Door on the East.

To Nathl. Felch the Pew between the mens Stairs and the West Door

The Said Comm^tee^ have also disposed of Those Pews. or The places Whereon Pews are to be Built Where the hind Seats are

Viz. To Braddyll Smith That next the middle Alley on the Womens side

To John Walker That next the middle Alley on the mens. Side

To Nathan Fisk the Middle Pew on the Women^s^. Side

To Abram Gale the middle Pew on the Men^{s}. Side
To James Stimson the Pew next the Women^{s}. Stairs
To Joseph Stedman the Pew next the Men^{s}. Stairs
The Said Comm^{tee} further report That They have Seated the Other Inhabitants in the Seats in the Meetinghouse Which was read and accepted

Signed ℣ { Elisha Jones Comm^{tee}
{ Braddyll Smith

3^{d} Voted that Dea^{n}. Nathl. Allen Shall be a Surveyor Highways and Collector in the room of John Bemis Who is gone into the Kings Service

[26.] at a meeting of the Selectmen of the Towns of Watertown Weston & Waltham Sepr. 17. 1756. at M^{r}. Rich^{d}. Cuttings of Waltham to adjust the Charge of Watertown Bridge and upon Setling Said account it appeared that there is due from Weston to Watertown ye Sum of 1 17. 6.1/2

Att^{r}. Elisha Jones *Town Clr*

At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston duly Quallified and legally Warned in Publick Town meeting Assembled at the meetinghouse in Said Town on Monday the 22^{d}. day of Novr. 1756 at one OClock afternoon Then and There

1. To grant ye rev^{d}. m^{r}. Woodwards Salary for one year begining the 25th of Last Sep^{tr} also to provide his Firewood for Said year

2^{dy}. To hear the Town Creditors accounts and act Thereon

3^{dy}. To grant money to Support Schooling and defray the usual Charges of the year

4th. To know Whether The Town will abate the rates of Isaac Gregory Deceas^{d}, for his poll in Const^{r}. John Warrens List.

5th., To know the mind of Said Town Whether the person That first rec^{d}. & Entertained Thomas Partridge in the Town without giving notice Thereof to the Selectmen as the Law directs Shall be prosecuted Therefor

6th To hear the report of the Com^{tee} appointed to Joyn with

Committes of Watertown and Waltham to make Sale of Said Town^{s} Farm near Watchuset Hill and act Thereon

Voted by Said Town That ELISHA JONES Shall be Moderator of S^{d}. Meeting

MINISTERS GRANT

1 Voted by Said Town That they grant to ye rev^{d}. mr Saml. Woodward for his Salary the present year begining Sepr. 25. the Sum of Sixty Six pounds Thirteen Shill^{s}. & 4^{d} and also ye Sum of Six pounds Thirteen Shill^{s}. & 4^{d}. to Enable him to provide his own Firewood for the Said year. Which Sums are to be Assessed on the Inhabitants of Said Town and paid into the Treasury by the First of June 1757

2dly The Town Creditors accounts Were read and Thereupon

Voted That There be paid out of the Town Treasury To the Severall persons hereafter mentioned. for their particular Services Expressed. the following Sums

[27.] Viz To mr. Jonathan Bullard for Supporting the Widow Stanhope 52 weeks from ye 1 day of Decr. 1755 to ye 29th. of Novr. 1756 a 2/8 ℔ week				6	18	8
To Brad^{ll}. Smith for making the ministers, Towns, & County rate in the year 1755. & Drawing Lists for the Town . . .	0	12	0			
and one day making ye Highway rate ye present year	0	2	0			
and one day drawing a List of Valluation 2/. and paper 2.	0	4	0			
and for Cash Expended at ye Sale of the Town Farm	0	18	0			
and for his Time in viewing & Seling ye Farm 6 1/2 days a 3.	0	19	6			
and for 1/2 a day perambulating ye Town line With Lincoln	0	1	0	2	16	6
To John Jones for money Expended in ye Sale of ye Farm	0	15	0			
and for 6 1/2. days Time viewing & Selling a 3/	0	19	6	1	14	6
To Abram Bigelo for Cash Expended at ye Sale of the Farm	0	16	0			
and for 6 1/2. days Time Viewing & Selling it a 3/		19	6			
and 1/2 day perambulating With Waltham	0	1	0	1	16	6

To Ebenr. Hobbs for Time & Expence at 2 Courts in ye Towns Cause With Jona Bullard				0	12	0
To Jno. Hastings for 1. 1/2 day perambulating with Nedham & Natick	0	3	0			
and for mending the South Schoolhouse .	0	1	4	0	4	4
To Isaac Allen for one day perambulating With Sudbury				0	2	0
To Saml. Severns For keeping Thos. Partridges Wife & Child 18 weeks a 3/4 . . .	3	0	0			
and for 70 feet of Plank for ye New Bridge	0	12	0			
and one day perambulating With Needham	0	2	0			
and for bottoming a Chair for ye Schoolhouse & Laying a herth	0	1	10	3	15	10
To Saml. Baldwin for Making ye Ministers, Towns; County rates & Drawgs Lists in 1755				0	12	0
To Elisha Warren for 57 feet of Oack plank .				0	4	0
To Jno. Warren for Serving Const 4/ and Warning 3 Town meetings 6/	0	10	0			
and Warning mary Flagg out of Town 2/8. & Carying her & Child out 3/. . . .	0	5	8	0	15	8
To Jno. Allen for Serving Const. 4/ & Warning 3 Town meetings 6/	0	10	0			
for Warning Thos. Partridge out of Town	0	2	8			
and for Taking Envoice ye present year 2 days. & one daymakg Higy rate . . .	0	6	0	0	18	8
To Theos Mansfield for making. Minisr. Town. & County rates and drawing Lists for ye Genl. Court in ye year 1755	1	12	0			
and 48 feet of plank & one String piece for a Bridge	0	5	8			
and 1/2 a day perambulating With Lincoln	0	1	0	0	18	8
To Saml. Train for keeping Thos. Partridges Wife 3 weeks				1	1	4
To Jno. Walker for his Time & Expence in ye Town Cause With Bullard				0	12	0
To Jno. Binney for Doctoring Moses Jones in his Last Sickness				0	12	0

Town grant.

3d. Voted by Said Town That They grant the Sum of Seventy pounds to pay the Town Credit. Support Schooling & defray the Usual Charges of ye year To be Assessed upon the Inhabitants of Said Town as ye Law directs

To be paid into the Town Treasury by the first of June 1757

4th Voted That the Poll Tax of Isaac Gregory Decased in the Province rate in Constable Jno. Warrens List Shall be abated

[28.] 5th Voted by Said Town at the aforesd. meeting That it is Their minds That the person That first received and Entertained Thos. Partridge in Town Without giving Notice Thereof to the Selectmen as ye Law requires Shall be proceeded With in the Law. in Order to recover the Charge the Town have Incurred Thereby. and That Messrs. John Hastings and Jona. Bullard are hereby appointed and Impowered To prosecute the Same in Said Towns behalf.

6th. The Committe appointed to make Sale of the Towns Intrest in the Farm near Watchuset Hill reported verbally That They had Sold The Said Town Share Thereof for £267—6—8 and had Taken Bonds for the money payable to Elisha Jones Esqr. Treasurer of Said Town in one year from the date With Intrest for the Same

Voted That the foregoing report be accepted and That the aforesd. Bonds Shall be delivered to the Said Elisha Jones Treasr. of Said Town and That the Said Treasurer and his Successor & Successors in Said Office be and are hereby directed to receive the Lawfull Intrest of Said money into the Town Treasury for the Towns use annually as it Shall become due and if any of the Debtors Neglect to pay their Intrest. as it becomes due. the aforesd. Treasurer & his Successor & Successors in Said office are directed to put Such Bond in Suit. the Next Court after one years Intrest Shall become due as aforesd.

Weston March 14 : 1757

This is a full discharge to the Town of Weston from all my Demands, either for Salary or Fire-wood for the Year Ending Sept 25 :1756 which I have recd of Elisha Jones Esq Treasurer for Weston ℔ Samll. Woodward

Weston March 1. 1759

This is a full Discharge to the Town of Weston from my Demands either for Salary or Firewood for the Year Ending

September 25 One Thousand Seven hundred & Fifty Seven which I have received of Braddyll Smith Treasurer for S^d^ Town ℔ SAM^LL^ WOODWARD

WESTON March 5. 1759

This is a full Discharge to the Town of Weston from my Demands either for Salary or Firewood for the Year Ending Sept 25. 1758 which I have received of Braddyll Smith Treasurer for S^d^ Town ℔ SAM^LL^ WOODWARD

This is a full Discharge to the Town of Weston from my Demands either for Salary or Firewood for the year Ending Sept. 25. 1759 which I have received of Braddyll Smith Treasurer for S^d^ Town ℔ SAM^LL^ WOODWARD

The Receipt immediately above
was written thro mistake & is null

[NOTE. — *These Receipts occupied a vacant space in the Town Book. The last was lined out.*]

1757

[29.] At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston duly Quallified and Legally Warned in Publick Town meeting Assembled at the Meeting House in Said Town on Monday the Seventh day of March AD 1757 at Ten of the Clock forenoon Then and There

1 To Choose Selectmen and other Town Officers for the year Ensewing as the Law directs

2^d^ to hear the Town Treasurers accounts for the year past

3^d^. to know the mind of the Town Whether the Swine Shall go at Large within the Town the Ensewing year

4th to know the mind of the Town Whether They^ll^. repair Their Highway^s^. by a rate the Ensewing year. and grant money Therefor

5th To hear and act upon the List prepared for the Jury Box

6th. To know Whether the Town Will abate Eight Shillings & 6^d^. 3/4 rates of Josiah Adams Deeased. in Const. Eben^r^. Hobbs^es^. List

7th. To know Whether the Town Will give Liberty to mr. Josiah Hobbs and others to Build a Horstable on the Town Land near the meeting House

8th To know Whether the Town will give Isaac Jones Liberty to Build a Pew over the mens Stairs in the Gallary for Himself and Family

9th To hear the Petition of Theos. Mansfield and act Thereon. he praying to be Enabled to dispute The Title of his Pew granted by the Town at the Towns Cost. or Otherways to be relieved

10th. To know Whether the Town Will order a New peer to be Built for a Watercourse on the West End of the New Bridge

ELISHA JONES *Chosen Moderator*

1st — Selectmen	ELISHA JONES ABRAM BIGELO SAMUEL SEVERNS ISAAC ALLEN EBENR. HOBBS	

Town Clerk & Treasurer ELISHA JONES Sworn march 24

Constables	JONAS HARRINGTON JR BRADDYLL SMITH	They Hired Saml. Train to Serve for them both he was accepted by the Town & Sworn at ye Same. Money oath and oath of Office
Assessors	BRADL. SMITH SAML. BALDWIN ELISHA JONES	Sworn march 7th 1757 money oath and oath of Office Sworn march 24

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Surveyors of Highways and Collectors	JOHN LAMSON DAVID STEARNS THOMAS RAND THOMAS RUSSELL EBENR. PHILLIPS	Sworn to the money Oath & oath of Office March 7. 1757
Tythingmen	AARON JONES JONAS HARRINGTON JR	Sworn money oath & oath office march 7th

Hogreaves { NATH^L. WILLIAMS / ELISHA FULLAM } Sworn money oath & oath of Office March 7.

Fenceviewers { DAVID ALLEN / ABRAM WHITNEY } Sworn money oath & oath of Office march 7th.

Sealer of Leather JEREMY WHITTEMORE Sworn money oath & oath of Office march

Preservers of Dear { JOSEPH WHITNEY Took ye money oath & oath of Office march / THOMAS RAND Sworn money oath & oath of Office march 7th. &c }

March 7th. 1757 the foregoing officers Took the oath relating to the Bills of Credit. of the Neighbouring governments, and also the oath^s. to Their respective Offices —— before me

ELISHA JONES *Ju^s Pa^s.*

Pound keeper THO^S. HODGKINS.

To Take Care of the meeting one year THO^S. HODGKINS; and 24/ allowed him Therefor

2^d. The Town Treasurers accounts Were Read and accepted as follow^s.

The accounts of Elisha Jones Treasurer of Weston from march 1. 1756. to March 7th. 1757

	£.	s.	d.	qr.
Viz. rec^d. of Nathl. Bigelo Late Constable in part of his Town rate		7		
rec^d. of the Province Treasurer. for a Catt Bill		3	2	1
rec^d. of Josiah Willington; his purchase of ye North SchoolHouse	4	13	4	
rec^d. of Eben^r. Hammond Late Constable. in full of his Town rate	20	11	4	
rec^d. of John Allen Late Constable. in part of his Town rate	38	13	6	2
and in full of his ministers rate	34	16	11	2
rec^d. of Const. John Warren in part of his Town rate	22	4	4	1
and in part of his Ministers rate	22	19	2	
rec^d. of John Hager a Late Const^e. in part of his Town rate	5	16	10	2
rec^d. of M^r. Abram Bigelo as a GIFT TO THE TOWN for &c	6	13	8	
	£156	19	5	

[30.] paid To Sundry persons as followeth

Viz To Mr. Ebenr. Hobbs in full of the purchase of Their Way to meeting	5	5	4	3
To Mr. Nathan Fisk Late Schoolmaster . . .	14	8	1	3
To Deaⁿ Upham for What he paid Mr. Feveryear in full for keeping School and for Boarding him . .	4	5		
To Benja. Pierce for Sweeping the meeting House one year Ending march 1: 1756	1	8		
To Sundry persons by Assignmt. to Constable Jno. Warren	7	7	6	2
To Jona. Bullard on his Execution against the Town .	15	2	7	
To Elisha Jones for a new Townway over the meadow	20			
To Mr. Checkley Schoolmaster in part		10	8	
To Nathl. Bigelo for Warning Cox and Family out of Town		7		
To Abram Bigelo for a Fee he gave mr. Goffe for his advice Concerning Thos. Partridgees being an Inhabitant—&c		18		
To Sundry persons by Assignmt. to Constable John Allen	4	1	6	
To the revd. Mr. Saml. Woodward in part of his Salary for the year Ending Sepr. 25. 1756	58	12		
To Mr. Jno. Hastings for a Lock for ye. South School House		1		
	£132	6	10	

Remains in Said Treasurers hand	24	12	7	
remains in Nathl. Jenisons Hand. a Late Constable of his Town rate		10	1	2
rems. in the hand of Ebenr. Hobbs a Late Constable of his Town rate		10		
rems. in the hand of John Hager a Late Constable of his Town rate	46	4	3	2
rems. in the hand of John Warren Late Constable of his Town rate	15	14	10	1
and in his hand of the ministers rate . . .	10	3	10	2
rems. in the hand of John Allen a Late Const. of his Town rate	3	7	3	
rems. in the hand of Saml. Train Constable of his Town rate	37	1	2	
and in his hand of the Ministers rate . . .	38	18	6	
rems. in the hand of William Lawrence Const. his Town rate	32	18	10	
and in his hand of the Ministers rate . . .	34	8	2	
remains in the Hand of Nathl. Bigelow a Late Constable Town rate	1	19	1	

The foregoing accounts were Exam^{d}. march 7. 1757 and found right Cast and Well Vouched

℔ { JOHN HASTINGS, ISAAC ALLEN } Selectmen

3^{d}. Voted by Said Town That the Swine Shall go at Large Within the Town the year Ensewing. being regulated as the Law requires

4th. Voted That the Highways and Townways Shall be repaired by a rate the Ensewing year. and That the Sum of Fifty pounds Shall be assessed upon ye Inhabitants of Said Town, according to Law. to be paid in Labour according to the Usuall Custom of Said Town. the Labour to be Compleated by the last day of October: Next

[31.] 5th. Voted That the List prepared by the Selectmen for the Jury Box be acepted. and That the Names of the Several persons on Said List to the Number of 44 be fairly Wrote on Seperate pieces of paper and put into the Box accordingly

6th. Voted That the Sum of Eight Shillings and 6^{d}.3/4 rates of Josiah Adams Deceased Shall be abated in Constable Eben^{r}. Hobbs^{es}. List

7th. Voted That the petition of Josiah Hobbs and Others be Desmised

8th. Voted That Isaac Jones Shall have Liberty to Build a Pew over the mens Stairs in the Gallary of the Meetinghouse for himself and for his Heirs &c

9th. Voted by Said Town That. They Will not allow Theophilous Mansfield Liberty To dispute the Title of his Pew at Their Cost. but That the Said Mansfield Shall have Liberty. To Sitt in the fore Seat Below if he pleases

10th. Voted That The Selectmen be desired to View the Causway on the West End of the New-Bridge and direct in What manner it Shall be repaired

MARCH 24TH. 1757

Elisha Jones Esqr. personally appeared and Took the the Oath prescribed by Law relaring to paying or receiving the Money belonging to the Governments of Connecticut Road:

Island and New-Hampshire and Likewise Was Sworn Town Clerk, Treasurer, and Assessor for the Town of Weston to Which Offies he Was Chosen the present year

Before me JOHN HUNT, *Jus^t Peace*

A True Copy of the Justices Certificate. Att. ELISHA JONES *Town Cler.*

At a meeting of the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston. Quallified according to the Royall Charter To Vote in the Choice of a Representative. Assembled at The Publick meeting House in Said Town on monday the 23^d. day of May AD 1757 at Three of the Clock afternoon

The Major part of The Electors Then present. did in presence of the Selectmen Elect and Depute Elisha Jones. To Serve for and represent Them in a great and General Court or Assembly appointed to be Convened held and keept for his Majesty^s. Service at the Court House in Boston upon Wednesday the 25. day of May Currant

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown, Weston and Waltham at Rich^d. Cuttings Novr. 14. 1757. To adjust the Charge of repairing Watertown Bridge and upon an adjustment. There is due from Weston To Watertown (Including £1—17—6 1/2 Which Was due to Them upon the last adjustm^t.) the Sum of £4—8—2

Att^s. ELISHA JONES *Town C^r.*

[32.] At a meeting of the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston duly Quallified and Legally Warned in publick Town meeting assembled at the publick meeting House in Said Town on Fryday the 18th day of Novr. AD 1757 at one of the Clock afternoon Then and There

1 To grant the rev^d. m^r. Woodwards Sallary begining Sepr. 25. and procure his firewood

2^d. To hear the Town Creditors accounts and act Thereon

3^d. To grant money for Schooling and To defray The Usual Charges

4th. To know Whether the Town will accept the alteration of a Townway in William Upham^s Land as marked

5th. To know Whether the Town will grant liberty To Abram Jones To Build him a Pew over the Women^s. Stairs in the meeting House

6th. To know Whether The Town will abate Josiah Willingstons rates in Constable John Warren and Cons^t. William Lawrence^s Lists

7th. To know Whether The Town will grant Samuel Baldwin Liberty To Build Himself a Pew. upon the End of the mens Seats, before Joseph Stedmans

8th. To know Whether the Town will grant William Whitney Liberty to Build him a Pew upon the End of the Women^s. Seats before James Stimson^s.

1 — Voted by Said Town That Elisha Jones Shall be Moderator

1 — Voted by Said Town That they grant To the rev^d. Saml. Woodward. for his Salary the present year begining Sepr. 25. 1757. the Sum of Sixty Six pounds Thirteen Shill^s. and four pence. and also the Sum of Six pounds Thirteen Shill^s. & 4^d To Enable him To provide his own Fire-wood for Said year. Which in ye Whole is £73 : 6. 8 To be Assessed on the inhabitants of Said Town, and paid into the Treasury by the first of June next

2^d. Then the Town Creditors accounts were read and accepted as follows

To Samuel Severns for keeping y^e. Wid^w. Partridge & Child 27 weeks & 6 days a 2/8. and Cloathing for her 8/	4	2	4
To Jonas Harrington for keeping ye Wid^w. Partridge & Child 23 weeks To ye 7^h of This Novr. a 2 pistereens ℔ week. and a pair Shoes 4/8	2	19	10
To Saml. Train for Warning 3 Town meetings 6/. Sallary 4/. and for Carrying Thos. Partridge & Family out of Town 4/		14	
To John warren for making rate nine day^s in ye year 1756		18	

To Ebenezer Phillips for a piece of Timber for the Bridge near his House		2	
To Jonathan Bullard for keeping ye Widow Stanhope from ye 29^h. of Novr. last. To ye 7th of Feby. When She Died being 9 weeks a 4/8. & 2/ ℔' week for 52 weeks omitted in Last year acc^t.	7	2	
To John Allen for making rates Eight days in ye year 1756 a 2/		16	
To John Mirick J^r. for Hooks and Staples for ye meeting House Windows in ye year 1755			8
To W^m. Lawrance for warning 3 Town meetings 6/. and Sallary 4/		10	
To Braddyll Smith for making rate 11½. days in 1756 a 2/. and paper to make them on 3/	1	6	
To James Mirick for Bottoming ye Great Chair of ye South School House		1	4

And Thereupon

3^d Voted That the Sum of Thirty five pounds be Assessed upon the Inhabitants of Said Town To pay the above Credit. Support Schooling &c to be paid into the Town Treasury by the first day of June next

£35

[33.] UPHAM^s WAY EXCHANGED

4 Voted by Said Town That They accept of the Exchange of the Townway in William Upham^s. Land and That Said way leading from Thomas Uphams To the County road near the New Bridge Shall from henceforward be on the Westerly Side of the following marks Viz a White oak Tree marked from Thence to Gray oak marked. Thence To a Black oak marked. Thence To a White oak marked. Thence To a Black oak marked. Thence to a Small White oak marked near the Country road. Thence into Said road &c

5 Voted That Abram Jones Shall have Liberty to Build a Pew for himself and his Heirs &c over the Women^s. Stairs that goes into the Gallary of the Meeting house. provided he Builds the Same in Six months from This Time. and if not Built in Six months. This grant to be Void

6 Voted by Said Town That They will Abate the Whole of Josiah Willington^s. rates in Const^e. John Warren and Cons^te. W^m. Lawrance^s. Lists

7th The Question was put Whether the Town Wou^d. give liberty to Saml. Baldwin To Build himself a Pew on ye End of the Hind Seats. and it passed in the Negative

8 The Question was put Whether the Town will give liberty for W^m. Whitney to build himself a Pew on ye End of the Women^s. Seats. and it passed in the Negative

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At a meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown Weston and Waltham at Richard Cutting^s on Febr^y 22 1759 to adjust the Charge of the Repareing of the great bridge In Watertown: and upon an adjustment there was due from Weston to Watertown (Including 1–0–0–1/4 which was Due to them on the Last adjustment) the Sum of £6–13–4–1/4

attest Braddyll Smith *town Clerk*

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown Weston and Waltham at Mr Richard Cuttings on Sepr. the 21st 1759 to adjust the Charge of the Repare of the great bridge in watertown and upon an adjustment there was Due to Weston £1–3–11

attest Braddyll Smith *town Clerk*

1758.

[34.] at a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the town of Weston Duly Quallified and Legally Warned In Publick town meeting assembled at the Publick meeting hous in Said town on Monday the 6 Day of March Ad: 1758 at Eleven of the Clock in the forenoon then and there

1 To Choose Selectmen and other town officers for the year Ensewing that are by Law Required

2^d to hear the town tresuarers accounts for the year Past and act tereon

3^d to Know the towns Mind Whether their Swine Shall go at Large the year Ensewing

4 to Know the towns mind Whether they will Repair their Highways by a Rate the Ensuing year and to make a grant therefor

5 to hear and act upon the List Prepared for the Jury Box

MR ABRAM BIGELOW *Chosen Moderator*

Selectmen	ABRAM BIGELOW BRADDYLL SMITH HENRY SPRING WILLIAM WHITNEY JOHN WARREN	

town Clerk and treas^r BRADDYLL SMITH Sworn march 6th. 1758

Constables	AARON JONES SAMUEL BALDWIN	they Hired Samuel train to Serve for them borth he was accepted by the town and Sworn at the Same time money oath and oath of office
Assessors	BRADDYLL SMITH JOHN ALLEN JOHN WARREN	Sworn March the 6th. 1758 Money oath and oath of office
Serveyors of highways and Collectors	JABEZ HERRINGTON BENJAMIN JONES JONATHAN BULLARD WOODES LEE NATHAN HOBBS	Sworn march the 6th. 1758 money oath and oath of office
tythingmen	ABIJ^R UPHAM JU^R JOHN MIRICK	Sworn money oath and oath of office march the 6th. 1758
Hogreaves	JOHN BEMIS NATH^LL COOLEDGE	Sworn money oath and oath of office march the 6th. 1758
[35.] Fenceviewers	JAMES LIUERMORE DANIEL LIUERMORE J^R	Sworn money oath and oath of office march the 6th

Sealer of Leather — ISAAC HAGER: Sworn money oath and oath of office

Dear Reaves	ABRAM JONES MOSES HERRINGTON	Sworn money oath and oath of office march the 6th. 1758

Josiah Mansfield Pound Keeper and to take Care of the meeting hous one year and twenty four Shillings allow[d] him therefor

2[d] the town treasurrers accounts were Read and accepted as followeth

the account of Elisha Jones Esq[r] treas[r]. of Weston from march 7th 1757 to march 6 : 1758

	£	S	D	q
Viz Remains In treashurers Hand upon the Last adjustment	24	12	7	0
Rec[d]. of M[r]. Abram Bigelow money he Rec[d]. of the Sale of the town farm		12	4	0
Rec[d] of Constable Samuel Train of the town Rate .	2	7	10	3
Rec[d]. of Said Constable of the Minister Rate . .	2	8	0	0
Rec[d]. of the Intrest on the Several Bonds Due to the town	15	19	11	0
Rec[d]. of the Province treasurer Thomas Partridges wages	8	7	4	2
Rec[d]. of Constable Ebenezer Hobbs in full of his town Rate	0	10	0	
Rec[d] of Constable Nath[ll]. Bigelow in full of his town Rate	1	19	1	
Rec[d] of Constable John Warren in Part of his town Rate	9	14	10	1
Rec[d] of Said Constable in full of his minister Rate .	10	3	10	2
Rec[d] of Constable William Lawrance in Part of his town Rate	12	12	10	
Rec[d] of Said Constable In full of his minister Rate .	34	8	2	
Rec[d] of Constable John Allen in full of his town Rate	3	7	3	
	£127	4	2	
Paid to Sundry Persons by order the following Sums				
Paid the Rev[d]. M[r]. Woodward In full of his Sallary Ending Sep[r]. 25th 1756	9	8	0	
and in Part of his Sallary Ending Sep[r]. the 25th. 1757	36	16	2	
Paid an Execution against the town for the present[n] of the south Road	6	1	0	
paid School master Fisk in full for keeping School and board	19	10	0	
paid School master Checkley in full for keeping School	18	0	0	
paid Samuel Cory towards the Support of Mary and Hannah Flagg	0	12	0	
paid the town of Watertown in Part of the Ballance Due to them for the Repairing the great Bridge .	3	7	3	¾

paid Mr. Ebenr. Hobbs for Bording the Schoolmaster 9 weeks at 5/4	2	8	0	
and for abatm. of Josiah adams Rate 8/6 3/4 and a Lock for the Pound gd	0	9	3	¾
paid the Revd. Mr. woodward for boarding the School master 28 weeks at 5 /4	7	9	4	
paid Benjn. Peirce for his Care of the meeting house a year Ending march 1757	1	8	0	
paid by abatment of Josiah Willington in Constable Warrens List	0	13	6	¾
paid by abatment of the Poll tax of Isaac Gregory Decd. in Sd warrens List	0	10	9	
paid Sundry persons by assignt to Constable Lawrance	7	4	10	
paid School master Wheeler	1	4	10	
	£115	2	3	¼
[36.] Remains in Said Treashurers hand . . .	12	1	10	3
and in Constt Nathll Janesons hand	0	10	1	2
and In Constt John Hager hand	46	4	3	2
and in Constt John Warrens hand	6	0	0	0
and in Constt Samuel Trains hand town rate . .	34	13	3	1
and in his hand of the minsr Rate	36	10	6	
and in Constt Wm Lawrance town Rate . . .	20	6	0	
and in Braddyll Smith hand part of the farm money .	0	3	4	
and in Constt Trains hand the whole of the Last town rats	35	0	0	
and to Sd Constt the whole of the minis Rate . .	73	6	8	
	264	16	1	0

The foregoing accounts were Exemd. March the fourth 1758 and found Right Cast and well Vouched

Ψ { Abraham Bigelow, Ebenr Hobbs } Selectmen

3d Voted By Said Town that the Swine Shall go at Large Within the town the year Ensewing

4 Voted By Sd town that the Highwaywork Shall be Done by a Rate and Granted the Sum of forty Pounds therefor & to be worked. out by the Last of October Next

5 Voted that the List Prepared By the Selectmen for the Jury Box be accepted

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitents of the town of Weston Qualletied according to the Royall Charter

to Vote in the Choice of a Representative: assembled at the Publick Meetinghous in Said town on Monday the fiftenth Day of May Ad 1758 at 3 of the Clock in the after Noon: the Major Part of the Electors then Present Did In the Presence of the Selectmen. Elect and Depute Elisha Jones Esqr. to Serve for and Represent them In a great and General Court or assembly appointed to be convend held and keept for his Majestys Service at the Court Hous in Boston on Wednesday the 31 Day of May Currant

At a meeting of the free Holders and other Inhabitance of the town of Weston Duly Quallified and Leglly Warned in Publick town meeting assembled at the Publick meetinghous In Sd town on Monday the fourth day of December Ad 1758: at one of the Clock in the after Noon then and there

1 To Grant the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Woodwards Salary begining the 25 of Sepr. Last and to make Provesion for his fierwood for Sd year

2 To Hear the town Creditors accounts and act thereon

3 To grant money for Shooling and to Defray the Nesesury Charges In Sd town

4 To Know Whether the town Will accept of an alteration of a town way as marked In Elisha Warrens Land

[37.] Voted By Sd town at the meeting afore Sd that Mr. Abraham Bigelow Be moderator of Sd meeting

1 Voted that they Grant the Rev^{d}. Woodward Samuel the Sum of Sixty Six Pounds thirteen Shillings and four Pence for his Salerey the Present year begining Sepr. the 25th. 1758 and allso the Sum of Six Pounds thirteen Shillings and four Pence to Enable him to Prouid his fierwood for Sd year which In the whole 73 : 6 : 8 To be assessed on tbe Inhabitence of Sd town

2 The town Creditors accounts Weare Read and Excepted as followeth

To Samuel Train constable for Salerey 8/ for warning 3 town meeting 12/	1	0	0
To the Same for warning Josiah Priest and familey out of town	0	4	0
To M^{r}. John Allen for Short allowance In the Province tax in 1755: 3/ and for Paper to make the Raits on in 1758	0	6	4

To Elisha Jones Esqr. 2 Days making Rates in 1757: 4/ and taking inveoys 4/ South Side	0	8	0
To Capten Samuel Boldwen 10: 2/1 Days making Rates in the year 1757	1	1	0
To M^{r}. Theo^{s}. Mansfield for 95 feet of Plank for town bridgeses 11/	0	11	0
To M^{r}. James Stimson for 100 feet of Plank for town bridgeses 12/ and allso 140 feet of Plank for the great bridg at 20/ Pur hundred — 28/	2	0	0
To M^{r}. Eben^{r}. Hammond for Constable Salerey 4/ for warning 3 town meetings 6/	0	10	0
To Braddyll Smith 10: 2/1 Days making Rates in the year 1757: 21/ and for two Days takeing inveoys 4/ and for Paper to make the Same on 3/6	1	8	0
To Mr Nathan Hobbs for Plank for the town bridgeses 68 feet — 8/	0	8	0
	7	16	10

And 3 thereupon Voted that the Sum of fourty five Pounds Be Assessed on the Inhabitence of Sd town to Pay the above Credit Suport Schooling and to Defray other Nesesary Charges and to be Paid Into the town Treasurey by the first Day of June Next

4 Voted By Sd town that they Except of the alteration a crost Elisha warrens Land as marked which is as followeth: viz: begining at a heep of Stons by the Ston wall from thence to a heep of Stones on a Rock from thence to a Stake and heep of Stones from thence to a Stake and heep of Stones by the Corner of his Cow yeard Sd way to be on the Easterly Side of Sd marks and to be the Same wedeth of the old way and the Sd warren is to make the Sd way Pasibel

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WESTON Feb. 26. 1760

This is a full Discharge to the Town of Weston from my Demands either for Salary or Firewood for the Year Ending Sept: 25. 1759 which I have rec^{d} of Braddyll Smith Treasurer for S^{d} Town ℔ SAM^{LL} WOODWARD

This is a full Discharge to the Town of Weston from my Salary & Firewood for the Year Ending Sept. 25. 1760 which I have received of Braddyll Smith Treasurer for S^{d} Town

WESTON March 1. 1762. ℔ SAM^{LL} WOODWARD

[38.] At a meeting of the free holders and other inhabitance of the town of Weston Quallified by Law to Vote in town affairs Being Legaly Warn^{d}. Assembled at the Publick meeting hous in Said town on Monday the 5th Day of March Ad 1759: at 10 of the Clock in the forenoon then & there

1 To Choose Selectmen and other town officers for the year Ensuing that are by Law Required

2 to hear the treasurers accounts for the year Past and act thereon

3 to Know the towns mind Whether their Swine Shall go at Larg the year Ensewing

4 to Know the towns mind Whether they will Repair their highways By a Rate the Ensuing year: and grant money there for

5 to hear and act upon a List Prepare^{d}. for the Jury Box

6 to Know the mind of the town Whether they will Purtches about 14 acors of Wood Land off Cap^{n}. Samuel Bond: which Lyeth South of the Great Road: for the town youse. and if they think fit: then to make all the Preparation Needfull or Nesesary to Purches and to Pay for the Same

7 to Know the Minds of the town Whether they will Provid the wood for the Schools by a Rate for the futer

8 to hear the Petision of The^{os} Mansfield and others to know the minds of the town Whether they will Give Liburty to the highest Payers to Cut up the Ends of the Body Seets So as to make two Pues or more as they Shall think fit: 2: to know the minds of the town whether they will take the Remander of the Pues that belong to the town into their hands and Seet them according to the Rules that they Seeted the Last Pues

9 to Know the mind of the town Whether they will grant to Mr Jones Herrington one Pound twelve Shilling and four Pence it being the Sum which he Paid to Docter Biney for Doctering Thomas Pateriage

1 Voted by Said town at Said meeting that Mr Abraham Bigelow be Moderator of Said Meeting

Selectmen
- Abr^{m} Bigelow
- Braddyll Smith
- William Whitney
- John Warren
- John Allen

town clerk and treashurer BRADDYLL SMITH Sworn March the 5th. 1759

[39.] Constables { ABRAHAM WHITNEY, ELISHA WARRAN } Sworn March the 5th. 1759

Assessors { BRADDYLL SMITH, JOHN WARREN, THOMAS RUSSELL } Sworn March the 5th: 1759

Serveyors of highway and Collectors { JONES HERRINGTON JR, JONES HERRINGTON, JOSEPH CORY, JOHN HAGER JUR, PHINEIS CHILD } Sworn March the 5th

tythingmen { WILLIAM SMITH J, BENJAMIN PEIRCE } Sworn march the 5

Hogreves { ABIJAH UPHAM JR, JOSIAH MANSFIELD } Sworn march the 5

fenceviewers { NATHLL BIGELOW, ABRAHAM WHITNEY }

Sealer of Leather THOMAS RUSSELL — Sworn March the 5

Preserver of Dear { ANDREW STIMSON, JEREMIAH WHITEMORE JR } Sworn march the 5

JOSIAH MANSFIELD Pound Keeper and to take Care of the Meeting hous for one year and 24/ allowd him there for

2 the Town treashurers accounts Weare Read and Excepted which are as followeth

The account of Braddyll Smith Treashurer of Weston from march 6th. 1758 to march 5th. 1759

Viz Recd. of Mr. John Hager Late Constable in Part .	30	3	6	0
Recd. of Colln. Jones Late treashurer the full that Remnd in his hands	12	1	10	¾
Recd of Constable William Lawrance in Part . .	2	4	00	
Recd. of Constable John Warren the full that Remd in his hands	6	00	00	
Recd. of the Intrest Due on the Several Bonds Due to Sd town	15	19	10	
Recd. of Constable Samuel train	179	10	5	
	245	19	7	¾

[40.] Paid to Sundrey Persons By order the following Sums

Viz Paid School master Wheler in Part for keeping School	22	4	0	
Paid Jeremiah Whitemore Ju^r in full for bulding the Northe east School hous	17	8	0	
Paid Sundrey Persons by assignment to Constable train in the year 1756	16	9	10	
Paid an order from Watertown for the Repare of the Great bridge	6	13	4	¼
Paid M^r. Jonathan Bullard for bording the Shool master 17 weeks 5/4 p^r week	4	10	8	
Paid Mr Thomas Hodgkins for his Care of the Meeting hous in the year 1757	1	4	0	
Paid M^r. Josiah Mansfield for his Care of the Meeting-hous one year and hooks for the winds	1	6	0	
Paid the Rev^d M^r. Samuel Woodward in full for his sallerey one year Ending Sepr. 25th. 1757 : and in full for his fierwood the Same year	73	6	8	
Paid Sundry Persons by assignment to Con^t. Train in the year 1758	18	12	2	¾
Paid Saml. Cory for keeping Mary Flagg^s. Child 71 1/2 weeks at 3/ p^r. week	10	14	6	
Paid M^r. Jones Herrington in Part for keeping the widow Pateriage^is Child	2	00	0	
Paid M^r. Thomas Rand for his Reparing the Senter Schoolhous the Last year and for What was Granted him for Labour at the Same hous in 1755	1	9	10	
Paid as a fee to M^r. Goof for carreing on the Suit with Waltham	4	15	4	
Paid Dec^n. Upham for bording the Schoolmaster 17 1/3 weeks	4	12	5	
Paid M^r. John Hastings BY AN ORD FROM THE FORMER TREASHURER	1	15	7	
Paid M^r. John Mirick for hooks and hinge for the Senter Shool hous	0	2	8	
Paid Mr Jonathan Stratton for Repareing the Senter Schoolhous and for makeing Seets and tabels in the North East Schoolhous	1	5	4	
Paid for Clothing for Rum Shuger^es. for the Widow Paterriage	1	18	2	
Paid to Serrif and Witneses: and for Expences in Carreing on the Suit with Waltham	4	15	9	
Paid for Nails and Stuf for tabels and Seets in the Northeast Schoolhous	0	11	3	
Paid the Rev^t. M^r. Samuel Woodward in full for his salerey one year Ending Sepr. the 25th. 1758 and for his fierwood the same year	73	6	8	
	269	2	2	¾

There is Due to Said treashurer on the Adjustment the sum of £ 23 2 7				
Remains In Constable John Hagers hands	16	0	9	$\frac{3}{4}$
and In Constable Nath^{ll} Janesons hands	0	10	1	$\frac{3}{4}$
and In Constable William Lawrances hands town rate . .	18	2	0	
and In Constable Samuel Trains hands the holl of the Minister and town Rate . . .	118	6	8	
	152	19	7	0

The Foregoing accounts Were examined March the 2^{d}. 1759 and found well Vouched and Right Cast By

ABRAHAM BIGELOW
JOHN WARREN } Selectmen

1759

[41.] 3 Voted by Sd town that the Swine Shall go at Large in Sd town if Regulated according to Law: the year Ensuing

4 Voted By Sd town that the Highways and town ways Shall be Repaird By a Rate the Ensuing year and that the sum of Fourty five Pounds be Assessed on the Inhabitence according to Law to be paid in Labour according to the Usual Custom of Sd town the Labour to be Compleet^{d}. by the Last Day of October Next

5 Voted Exceptance of the List Prepar^{d}. by the Selectmen for the Jurey box

6 It was Put to vote Whether the town Would Purtches about 14 acors of Wood Land of Cap^{n} Samuel Bond and it Past in the Negetve

7 It was Put to vote Whether the town would Provide the wood for School By a Rate and it Pas^{ed} In the Negitive

8 It was Put to vote to Know Whether the town would give Libuerty to the Highest Payers to Cut up the End of the bodey Seets so as to Make 2 pues or more: and allso to Know Whether the town Would take the Remainder of the Pues Into their hand that Belong to the town: and it Pas^{t} in the Negitve

9 It was Put to vote to Know Whether the town would grant to Mr. Jones Herrington one Pound twelve Shillings and four Pence it being what he Paid for Doctering Thomas Parteriage and it Pased In the Negitive

At a meeting of the freeholders and other inhabitence of the town of Weston Quallifid. according to the Reoyal Charter to Vote in the Cheoyce of a Representive Assembld at the Publick Meeting hous in Sd town on Monday the fourtenth Day of May Ad 1759 at three of the Klock in the after Noon the Majer Part of the Electors then Present Did in the Presence of the Selectmen make Choice of Mr. Abraham Bigelow To serue for Represent them in a great and General Court or Assembley appointed to be Convend held and Cept for his Majestys Servis at the Court hous in Boston on Wensday the 30 Day of May Currant

[42.] At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitence of the town of Weston Duly Quallefied and Legaly warned un Publick town meeting assembeled at the Publick Meeting hous in Said town on monday the third Day of December Ad. 1759 at one of the Klock in the afternoon then and there

1 To Grant the Revd. Mr. Samuel Woodwards Sallary for one year Begining Sepr. the 25th. 1759 and allso to make Provesion fo his fierwood for Said year

2 to hear the town Credetors accounts and act thereon

3 To Grant money to Suport Shooling and Defray other Nesesary Charges for the year

4 To Know the minds of Sd town whether they will Grant Libuerty to Coln. Jones and Mr. Abraham Bigelow to build each of them a Stable on the towns Land Near the meeting-hous

5 To Know the towns mind whether they will Grant Libuerty to Mr. Josiah Cooledge to build him a Small house on the town Land Near the Meetinghous for the benefit of him and his famely on Saborth Days

6 To Know the minds of the town whether they will Grant the Pitision of Decon Abijah Upham and others Praying they

would Raise the Causee on the New Roode leeding from Mr. Nathan Jones. to the meeting hous or Whether they will take Som method to Prevent its being flowd. or what Course they will take So that the Inhabitence may Convenently Pass the Same.

Voted By Said town at Said meeting that Mr. Abraham Bigelow be moderator of Said meeting

1 Voted that they grant the Revd. Mr. Samuel Woodward the Sum of Sixty Six Pounds thirteen Shillings and four Pence for his Salerey the Present year Begining Sepr. the 25th. 1759 and allso the Som of Eight Pounds to Enabel him to Prouid his own fierwood for Sd year which in the whole is 74 : 13 : 4 to be assessed on the Inhabitence of Sd town

2 the town Creditors accounts weare Read and Excepted as followeth

	£	S	D	
To Samuel Train Constable for Salerey 20/ warning 3 town meeting 12/ and for Carreing David Miller out of town 2/	1	14	0	
To Lewt. John Warren for 10 1/2 days makeing Rates. in the year 1758: 21/ and for one Day Prambelating 2/	1	3	0	
To Mr. John allen for 9 1/2 Days makeing Rates in the year 1758: 19/ for one Day Prambelateing 3/ . .	1	2	0	
To Mr. Abraham Bigelow for makeing Step to the meeting hous Dre 24/ for Plank for the bridges 140 feet 18/8	2	2	8	
To Mr. Nathan Hobbs for 66 feet of Plank for the brigeses	0	8	0	
To Mr. William Whitney for Prambelating the town Lines 2 Days 4/	0	4	0	
To Mr. Phenis Child for a String Peice for Mr. Hobbses bridge 1/7 1/4	0	1	7	¼
To Braddyll Smith for makeing Rates In the year 1758: 9 1/2 Days 19/ to 3 Days Prambeg. 6/ to 38 feet of Plank 4/9 to 1 1/2 Day makeing the highway Rate 3/ for Paper to make the Rates 3/4 to 2 1/2 Days takeing the Inveoys and Drawing Lists 5/. . . .	2	2	4	
To Mr. James Stimson for prambelating 3/ . . .	0	3	0	
To Mr. Ebenezer Philips for four String Peices for the briges 6/5	0	6	5	
	£9	7	0	¼

[43.] 3 Voted that the Sum of Sixty Pound to be assessed on the Inhabi^{t} of the town to Pay the afore Sd credit Suport Shooling and to Defray other Nesesary Charges arising in Sd town and to be Paid into the town treashurey by the first Day of June Next

4 Voted By Said town that Col. Jones haue Libuerty to Buld Him a Stable on the Westerly Side of the Meeting hous and M^{r}. Abr^{m}. Bigelow to build him one ond the Easterly Side of the meeting Hous

5 the fifth artickol Was Put to Vote and it Passed in the Negetive

6 Voted By Said town that they will take Som method to Rais the Causey in the New Roode Leeding from M^{r}. Nathan Joneses to the meeting hous acrost the medow Eighteen Inches higher then it Now is

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[1760.]

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitence of the town of Weston Dewly Quallefied and Legaly Warned In Publick townmeeting assembled at the Publick Meeting hous in Sd town on Monday the third Day of March Ad: 1760 at ten of the Clock in the four Noon — — then and there

1 To Chuse Select Men and other town officers for the year Ensuing that are by Law Requiered

2 To hear the town treashurers accounts and act thereon

3 To know the town mind whether their Swine Shall go at Larg the year Esuing

4 To know the town mind Whether they will Repare their highways by a Rate the Ensuing year and to grant money therefor

5 To hear and acct upon a List Prepared for the Jury Box

6 To know the towns mind whether they will abate the Rates of Joseph Bigelow J^{r} In Constable Trains List In the year 1756 which is 0—19—5

7 To know the towns mind whether they will abate the Rates of Cap Nath^{ll} Livermor in Constable Lawrance^{s}. List In the year 1756 whis is 1—4—0—0

[44.] Voted By Said town at their meeting afore Sd that Mr. Abraham Bigelow be Moderator of Said Meeting

Selectmen	ABRAHAM BIGELOW BRADDYLL SMITH WILLIAM WHITNEY JAMES STIMSON JOHN WARREN	

Clerk and treashurer BRADDYLL SMITH — Sworn march the 3d

Constables	THOMAS UPHAM JEREMIAH WHITEMORE JR	Upham Sworn March the 3d Whitemore Sworn March the 11th.
Assessors	JOHN ALLEN THEOS MANSFIELD JOHN WARREN	Sworn March the 3d.
Serveoyrs of highways and Collectors	MOSES HERRINGTON EDWARD HASTINGS SAMUEL SEVERNS WILLIAM LAWRANCE ISRAEL WHITEMORE	Sworn march the 3d Serveoyrs and Collectors
tithingmen	NATHAN JONES ISAAC JONES	Nathan Jones Sworn March the 3d.
fence vewers	BENJAMIN PEIRCE ELISHA FULLAM	Sworn march the 3d.
hogrefre	NATHAL JANESON JR JOSEPH WHITNEY	Sworn March the 3d.
Preserver of Dear	JAMES LIVERMORE NATHALL COOLEDGE	Sworn March the 3d.

Sealer of Leather: THOMAS RUSSELL: Sworn March the 3d.

JOSIAH MANSFIELD Chosen to take Care of the meeting hous and Pound and twenty four Shillings allowed him there for

Serveoyr of Bords Shingels and Clabords: SAMUEL BOLDWEN: Sworn march the 3d.

[45.] The town treashurers accounts were Read and Excepted which are as followeth

	£	S	D	Q
Rec^{d}. of Constable John Hager in full	16	0	9	$\frac{2}{4}$
and for Intrest for the Same	1	5	4	
Rec^{d}. of Constable William Lawrance In Part . .	16	18	0	
Rec^{d}. of the Intrest Due on the Several Bonds Due to the town	15	19	10	
Rec^{d}. of William Norcross	6	13	4	
Rec^{d} of Constable Train in Part	95	18	1	
	£152	16	2	$\frac{2}{4}$

Paid to Sundrey Persons By order the following Sums

Viz	£	S	D	Q
Paid School master Wheler In full for Keeping School	12	5	0	
P^{d} School master Dix in Part for Keeping the town School	4	14	8	
P^{d}. Jones Herrington for Keeping the widow Parteriages Child in Part	4	19	6	$\frac{2}{4}$
P^{d} Eben^{r}. Hobbs for bording the School master . .	2	8		
P^{d}. The Rever^{d}. M^{r}. Samuel Woodward for bording School master	7	1	4	
Paid Eben^{r}. Hammond in full for Keeping widow Parteriage and Child	9	1	1	
P^{d}. Eben^{r}. Braddish for glazing the South School hous	1	6	7	
P^{d}. for Cost and Expence at March Cort in 1759 . .		19	1	
P^{d}. By assignment to Sundrey Persons In the year 1759	7	16	10	
P^{d} as a fee to M^{r}. Goof at March Court 1759 . .	1	4		
P^{d}. for Clorthing for widow Partriage and Child . .	1	8	7	
P^{d}. the Rever^{d}. M^{r}. Samuel Woodward in full for his Salerey one year Ending Sepr. the 25th. 1759 and for his fierwood the Same year	73	6	8	
P^{d}. to M^{r}. Goof as fee at January Court in 1760 . .	3	0	0	
P^{d} for a table and bench for the Senter Schoolhous and mending the meetinghou flore . . .	0	10	0	
P^{d}. M^{r}. Prat at January Court In 1760	0	12	0	
P^{d}. by the abatement of Josiah Willingtons Rates In Constable Lawr^{s} list	0	1	5	
P^{d}. Clark Mason for Copeys and Entreys . . .	0	8	4	
P^{d}. William Whitney for timber and Labour at Watertown bridge	3	13	6	
P^{d}. to Schoolmaster Whitney in Part for Keeping School	10	13	6	
P^{d} for Expences at Charlston Court with Waltham in January 1760	1	8	0	
P^{d} James Stimson in Part for his Labor and timber for Watertown bridge	1	12	0	
	149	10	1	$\frac{2}{4}$

What Remain[d]. Due to S[d] treashurer the Last adjustment is	23	2	7	
There Remains Due to Sd treashurer on the adjustment ment the Sum of £19:16:6	172	12	8	¾

	£	S	D	Q
There Remains In Constable Lawrances hand town Rate	1	4	0	
and In Constable Nath[ll] Janesons hand	0	10	1	2
and In Constable Samuel trains hand	23	8	7	
and In Constable Whitneys hand the holl of His town and minister Rate which is	68	9	3	
and in Constable Warrens hand the holl of his town and minister Rate which is	66	4	1	

The foregoing accounts Were Examined february the 28th. 1760 and found Well vouched and Right Cast

By WILLIAM WHITNEY } Selectmen
JOHN ALLEN }

[46.] 3[d] Voted By Said town at Sd meeting that their Swine Shall go at Large the Ensuing year within Sd town if well Regelated

4 Voted by Said town to Do their highway work by a Rate the the Ensuing year and Granted the Sum of fifty Pounds there for and to be worked out by the Last day of october Next and voted that the Collectors make up accounts with the town treashurer By the Last Day of November Next

5 Voted that the List of Jurers Stand as the Select men have Prepared it

6 Voted to abate the Rates of Joseph Bigelow J[r] In Constabel trains List

7 Voted to abate the Rates of Nath[ll] Livermore In Constable Lawrance[s] List

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitence of the town of Weston Quallefied according to the Reoyal Charter to Vote in the Cheoyce of a Representive assembled at the Publick meetinghous in Said Town on Wedensday the fourtenth Day of May 1760 at one of the Klock in the after Noon: the Majer Part of the Electors then Present Did in the Presence of

the Select Men: Make Choice of Elisha Jones Esqr. to Serve for and Represent them In a great and geniral Court or assembley appointed to be Convend held and kept for his Majestys Servis at the Court hous in Boston upon Wedensday the twenty eighth Day of May Currant

At a meeting of the free holders and other Inhabitence of the town of Weston Dewly Quallifie^{d} and Leegaly Warned in Publick town meeting assembeled at the Publick meetinghous In Said town on Wedensday the fourtenth Day of May 1760 at one of the Klock in the after Noon then & there

1 To hear and act upon a List prepared for the Jury Box agreabel to Law

2 To know the minds of the town whether they will Choose a Committe to Joyn With a Committe from Watertown and Waltham to Represent to the Great and Geniral Court the great Charge of Suporting the great bridge over Charls River In Watertown: and Petition the Court for Som Releaf by a Loterey or Such other way as the Court Shall think Proper

Voted at the meetind afore Sd that M^{r}. Abr^{m}. Bigelow be moderator of Sd metin

1 Voted Exceptence of the List Prepared by the Selectmen for the Jury Box

2 Voted that their Representive Shall be their Committe to Joyn with the Committe from Watertown and Waltham to Represent to the great and Geniral Court the great Charg of Supporting the great bridge over Charls River In Watertown and Petition the Court for Som Releaf by a Loterey or Such other way as the Court Shall think Proper

[47.] At a meeting of the freeholder and other Inhabitence of the Town of Weston Dewly Quallifyed and Leegly Warned in Publick town meeing assembled at the Public meetinghous in Said town on Monday the 27th Day of October. Ad1760 at one of the Clock in the after Noon then & there

1 To Grant the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Samuel Woodward his Salerey for one year begining the 25th. of Sepr. Last and make Provision for his fierwood the Same year

2 to hear the town Creditors accounts and act thereon

3 to grant money for schooling and other Nesesary Charges in Said town

4 to Know the minds of the town Whether they will Chuse a Constable on the North Side of the town

5 to Know the minds of the town Whether they will abate the Solgers tax to the Province : that went out In the year 1759 and were Detained more then twelve months or any Part as they Shall think Proper

6 to Know the minds of the town Whether they will Repare the meetinghous and if they will grant money for the Same

7 to Know the minds of the town whether they will Come to any New agreement with the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Woodward about Providing his fierwood

8 to Know the minds of the town whether they will Remove the Devision Between the two hind Seets In the froont Galerey In the meeting hous and and make a Pew in the Same Place : and Dispose of it as they Shall think Proper : or giue Libuerty to Such Persons as they Shall think Surtibel to Do the Same for their own youse

Voted by Said town at Said meeting that M^{r}. Abraham Bigelow be Moderator of Said meeting

1 Voted the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Samuel Woodward the sum of Sixty Six Pounds thirteen Shillings and four Pence for his Salerey the Present year begining Sepr. the 25th. 1760 and allso the sum of ten Pounds to enable him to Provide his own fierwood for Said year : which in the holl Maketh 76 13 4

2 Voted the town Credetors accounts as followeth : viz :

	£	S	d
To Constable Abr^{m} Whitney for warning 3 town meeting 6/ Salerey 10/	0	16	0
To Constable Elisha Warren for warning 3 town meetings 6/ Salerey 10/	0	16	0
to M^{r}. William Smith J^{r} for 90 feet of Plank for the bridgeses 11/^{2}	0	11	2
to Lew^{t} John Warren for 11 1/2 Days making Rates in the year 1759 twenty three Shillings and for Paper to make them on in the year 1760 =3 /	1	6	0

to Mr. Thomas Russell for 4 Days making Rates in the year 1759	0	8	0
to Mr. James Mirick for Botteming one great Chare for the School	0	1	4
to Braddyll Smith for 13 1/2 Days making Rates In the year 1759 27/ and for paper to make them on in the same year 3/ and for Drawing Lists and takeing Inveoys 5 1/2 Days 11/	2	1	0
to Es. James Stimson for 200 feet of Plank at 20/Shillings pr hundred 40/ and Sixty eight feet at 12 Shillings pr Hundred 8/3	2	8	3

[48.] 3 Voted the Sum of one Hundred Pounds to Suport Schooling and Defray the Nesesary Charges arising in Said town

4 Voted to Choose a Constable on the North Side of Said town and Chose Mr Benjmin Bond and he highered Mr. John Walker to Serve in his Room and was Excepted by the town and Sworn October the 27th. 1760 money oath and oath of office

5 Voted to abate the tax that the Solgers were taxed to the Prouince In the year 1759 (and that went out that year) and were Detained more than 12 months

6 Voted to Repare the meeting : Hous and granted the Sum of fourty Pound therefor ; and Chose a Committe to Provide meterels and to Se that the Work is Don

Comitte Braddyll Smith Jonathan Stratton Elisha Jones Esqr

7 It was Put to vote to Know the mind of the town Whether they would Com to any New agreement with the Revd. Mr. Samuel Woodward about Providing his fierwood and it Pased In the Negitive

8 Voted to take away the Devision between the two hind Seets in the froont Galerey in the meeting hous and make a Phew In the Same at the towns Cost and Dispose of it as they shall think Proper — — — and the Same Committee as mentioned in the 6 artickle for the Repare of the meeting hous : to buld Sd Phew

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[1761.]

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitence of the town of Weston Dewly Quallified and Leegaly Warrned in

Publick town meeting assemled at the Publick meeting hous in Said town on Monday the Second Day of March Ad 1761 at ten of the clock on the fore Noon then and there

1 to Chuse Selectmen and other town officers for the year Ensuing that our Pry Law Requiered

2 to hear the town treashurers account for the year Past and act thereon

3 to Know the towns mind Whether their Swine Shall go at Large the year Ensuing

4 to Know the towns mind Whether they will Repare their highways by a Rate the Ensuing year: and if so grant money therefor

5 To hear and act upon a List Prepare[d]. for the Jury Box

6 To Know the town mind Whether they will abate the Rates of John Hager Ju[r] in Constable Warrens List which is . . . . . £ 1, s 6, d 4

7 To know the minds of the town Whether they will abate the Rates of Daniel Garfield in Constable Warrens List which is . . . . . s 0, d 7 8

8 To Know the mind of the town Whether they will Except of a Way as Marked a Crost the Land of M[r]. Thomas Upham So as to Com at the way Layed out By Waltham

This is a full Discharge to the Town of Weston from my Salary and Fire-wood for the Year Ending Sept: 25 1761 which I have rec[d] of Braddyll Smith Treasurer for S[d] Town

WESTON March 3. 1763. ℔ SAML[L] WOODWARD

[39²] Voted by the town above Said at their Said Meeting that M[r] Abraham Bigelow be moderator of Said meeting

Selectmen
- ABRAHAM BIGELOW
- BRADDYLL SMITH
- ELISHA JONES ESQ[R]
- WILLIAM WHITNEY
- JOHN WARREN

Clerk and treashurer	BRADDYLL SMITH	Sworn March the 2d. money oath and oath of office
Constables	JOSEPH WOOLSON JONATHAN STRATTON	Joseph woolson highered Samuel train to Serve for him and he was Exepted by the town: and he and Stratton was Sworn march the 2d money oath and oath of office
Assessors	BRADDYLL SMITH JOHN WARREN ABRM JONES	Sworn march the 2d. money oath and oath of office
Wardens	JOHN MIRICK JUR. THOMAS RUSSELL	Sworn march the 2d money oath and oath of office
Serveoyrs and Collectors	ISAAC JONES THOMAS PEIRCE ABIJAH UPHAM JUR. ISAAC WHITEMORE JOHN WARREN	Sworn money oath and oath of office
Tythingmen	ABRM. JONES. JOHN HAGER JUR.	Sworn March the 2d money oath and oath of office
Fence viewers	SAMUEL CHILD DAVID STEARNS	
Hogreaves	JONES HERRINGTON ISAAC HOBBS	Sworn march the 2d. money oath and oath of office
Preservers of Dear	MOSES HERRINGTON JOSEPH LOWVEL JR	
field Drivers	JOSEPH NORCROSS ABRAHAM GAIL	Sworn march the 2d. money oath and oath of office

Sealer of Leather — THOMAS RUSSELL — Sworn March the 2d. money oath and oath of office

Serveoyr of Bords Shingels &c: SAMUEL BOLDWIN — Sworn March the 2d. money oath and oath of office

To Take Care of the meetinghous Pound: &c NATHAN WOOLSON for one year for 24

[40²] 2 The town treashurers accounts Were Red and Excepted as followeth

Viz Recd. of Constable Nathll Janeson in full . .	0	10	1	¾
Recd. of Constable William Lawrance in full . .	1	4	0	
Recd. of Constable Samuel Train in Part . . .	14	7	4	
Recd. of Constable Abrm Whitney in Part . . .	56	1	3	¾
Recd. of Constable Elisha Warren in full . . .	66	4	1	
Recd. of the Intrest Due on the Several bonds . .	15	19	10	
Recd. of Constable Thomas Upham in Part . .	4	3	9	
Recd of Moses Herrington Collector of a highway Rate	0	12	8	
	159	3	1	¼

Paid to Sundrey Persons By order the following Sums

	£	S	D	Q
Pd. Schoolmaster Dix in full for Keeping School .	3	2	9	
Pd. the Revd. Mr. Samuel Woodward In Part for his Salerey Ending Sepr. the 25: 1760 . . .	53	9	11	¼
Pd. By abatment of Capn. Nathll. Livermores. Rates in Constl. Lawrences List	1	4	0	0
Pd. By assignment to Sundrey Persons in the year 1760	9	7	0	¼
Pd. Mr. Nathan Hobbs in full for bording Shoolmaster Dix	2	14	0	0
Pd. Mr. Ebenr. Hobbs for Shues for Corys and Partriages	1	0	8	2
Pd. Mr David Flagg for Keeping widow Partriage and Child	3	18	0	
Pd. Mr. Josiah Smith for Servis Don for Sd town as a Sheriff	1	6	4	
Pd Mr. William Whitney for timber for Watertown bridge	2	12	1	
Pd. Mr Isaac Whitemore for Clorthing for Widow Partriage	0	17	7	
Pd. Mr. Theos Mansfield for Keeping Peter Morsemey in his Sickness	2	0	0	
Pd. Schoolmaster Stimson in Part for Keeping School	12	18	10	
Pd. Mrs Margrit Perey in Part for keeping thomas train	10	15	4	

Pd Mr. Josiah Mansfield for his Care of the Meeting hous in 1759	1	4	0	
Pd for Stuf and Labour to Repare the Ruff of the meeting hous	0	14	7	
Pd. Mr. Goof as a fee at Sundrey times in the Lawsuit with Waltham	6	12	0	
Pd. Mr. Prat as a fee at Sundrey times in the Lawsuit with Waltham	6	12	0	
Pd Mr. James Stimson for timber and Plank for Watertown bridge	7	9	9	
Pd. Mr. Abrm. Bigelow for Labour at Watertown bridge	0	18	0	
Pd Mr John Allen for his tendence at Court . .	0	4	0	
Pd Decon Abijah Upham for bording the Schoolmaster	3	16	4	
Pd. for Copeys and Expences in the Suit with Waltham	1	4	0	
Pd Mr. Jones Herrington for Keeping Widow Partriges Children	7	0	0	
Pd School Master Whitney in Part for Keeping School	7	4	0	
Pd. for warning and Cautioning against Stephen White and Wife Ephram brown and John Briant . .	0	15	0	
Pd by abatement of the Pools Pay to the Province tax of the Persons here after Named: viz: Lewt. Elish Flagg: David Allen: Joseph Allen: Elijer Spring: Noah Norcross: Joseph Norcross Jr: Samuel Cory: John Walker Jr Solomon Jones: Oliver Robenson: Assa Smith: James Bigelow and Daniel Cooledge	12	4	9	
Pd to the Repareing the Senter and South School housen	1	4	6	
What Remained Due to Said treashurer on the Last Adjustment is	19	16	6	
	£182	6	0	
There Remains Due to Sd treashurer on this Adjustment the Sum of 23–2–10–3				
There Remains In Constable Trains hands . .	9	1	3	
and In Constable Uphams hand town Rate .	110	5	6	3
and In Constable Walker hands town Rate .	102	4	0	1
and In Constable Whitneys hand town Rate .	012	8	0	
	233	18	10	0

February the 29th. 1761 We the Subscribers haueing Examined the fore going accompts and find them well vouched and Right Cast By

ABRM. BIGELOW
JOHN WARREN
Select men

[41².] 3 Voted By Said town at their meeting afore Said that their Swine Shall Go at Large in Said town the year Ensuing if well Regula[d]

4 Voted By Said town to Do their Highway work by a Rate the Ensuing year and granted the Sum of fourty Pounds to be worked out By the Last Day of october Next

5 Voted the List of Juerers as Prepared by the Selectmen

6 Voted to abate the Rates of John Hager Ju[r]. In Constable warrens Warrens List which is . . . 1—6—4

7 it was Put to Vote to Know the Minds of Said town whether they would abate the Rates of Daniel Garfield in Constable warrens List (which is Seven Shillings and Eight Pence) and it Pased in the Negetive

8 voted the way as marked (Exceping there be No more Cost for the town to Pay then the Makeing of thirty Rods of Stonwall by the Side of Said way) ; Said way is marked out as followeth begining at Waltham Line at the bridge ouer Stoney brook and at the End of a Stonwall Near the bridge and Runs Westerly to a heep of Stones then to a Nother heep of Stones then bares Northerly to a heep of Stones on a Rock by the Side of a town way Said way to be on the South Side of the marks afor Said and to be two Rods wide and at the west End to be So wide as is Nesesary to accomidate the ways Leeding from M[r] Joseph Garfield[s]. and that from M[r]. Thomas Upham[s] So as to git into the way afore Sd

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitence of the town of Weston Quallified according to the Reoyal Charter to vote in the Cheoyce of a Representetive Assambled at the Publick meetinghous in Said town on Monday the Eightenth Day of May Ad 1761 at two of the Clock in the after Noon : the mager Part of the Electors then Present Did in the Presence of the Selectmen make Cheoyce of Elisha Jones Esq[r]. to Serve for and Represent them In a Great and Geniral Court to or assembly Appointed to be Conveaned Cept and held for his Majestys Servis at the court hous in boston on Wedensday the 27th. Day of May Currant

[42².] At a Publick meeting of the free holders and other Inhabitence of the town of Weston Dewly Quallified and Legaly Warned in Publick town meeting assembled at the Publick Meeting hous in Said town on Monday the Sixtenth Day of Nove^r. Ad 1761 at one of the Clock in the after Noon then and there

1 To grant the Rev^d. M^r. Woodwards Salerey for one year begining the 25th. of Sepr. Last and make Provision for his fierwood the Same year

2 to hear the town Creditors accounts and act thereon

3 To grant money for Schooling and other Necessary Charges in Said town

4 To hear the Pitetion of M^r. John Hastings and others Praying that the town would Choose a Committe to Servey Said town So far as is Necesary to find the Senter thereof: and if the Senter Shall be found and Considerable Distance from Where the meeting hous Now Standeth that it may be Removed there to

Voted By Sd town at Said meeting that M^r. Abraham Bigelow be Moderator of Said meeting

1 Voted the Rev^d. M^r. Samuel Woodward the Sum of Sixty Six Pounds thirteen Shillings and four Pence for his Salerey the Present year begining Sepr. the 25th. 1761 and allso the Sum of teen Pounds to Enabel him to Provide his own fierwood for Said year which in the holl is 76–13–4

2 Voted the town Credetors accounts as followeth viz:

To Constable John Walker for Salerey 10/ for warning one town meting 2/	0	12	0
To M^r. Benjamin Bond for 140 feet of White oak Plank	0	19	0
To M^r. Theo^s. Mansfield for Eighty feet of Plank 9/7 to makeing Rates in the year 1760 and takeing the Inveoys 13–1/2 Days 27/	1	16	7
To M^r. John Warren for makeing Rates in the year 1760: and 11 1/2 Days	1	3	0
To M^r. John Allen for makeing ates in the year 1760 and takeing the Inveoys 13–1/2 Days 27/ . .	1	7	0
To Jeremiah Whitemore Ju^r for Warning one town meeting 2/	0	2	0
To Braddyll Smith for 130 feet of Plank for the bridges	0	15	7

3 Voted the Sum of one Hundred and fifty Pounds to Suport Schooling and Defray other Nesesary Charges in Said town

4 It was Put to Vote to know the minds of the town whether they would Grant the Prayer of the Pitetion of John Hastings and others and it Pased in the Negetive

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This is a full Discharge to the Town of Weston for my Salary and Fire-Wood for the Year Ending Sept: 25 1762 which I have rec^{d}. of Braddyll Smith Treasurer for S^{d}. Town

WESTON March 3. 1763 ℔ SAM^{LL}. WOODWARD

1762.

[43^{2}.] At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitence of the town of Weston Dewly Quallifyed and Legely Warned in Publick town Meeting assembled at the Publick meeting in Said town on Monday the first Day of March Ad 1762 at Eleven of the Klock in the fore Noon then and there

1 To Chuse Selectmen and other town officers for the year Ensuing that are by Law Requiered

2 to hear the town treashurers accounts for the year Past and act thereon

3 to Know the towns mind whether their Swine Shall go at Large the year Ensuing

4 to Know the towns mind Whether they will Repair their highways by a Rate the Ensuing year: and if So grant money there for

5 To hear and act upon a List Prepared for the Jurey Box

6 To Know the towns mind Whether they will abate the Rates of Samuel Lawrance assessed at £ 1—s 1—d 11 and allso Joseph Stimson^{s} Rates which is 0—15—5 and allso Cap^{n} Nathannal Livermor^{s} Rates which is 5—12—6—3/4 and allso Daniel Garfields Rates which is 1—0—4 and allso Peter trains Rates Which is 0—19—5 all in Constable Samuel trains Lists or act thereon as they Shall think Proper

7 to Know the minds of the town Whether they will Except of a Way as is fence^{d}. out from M^{r}. Benjamin Peirces Barn yeard to the Contrey Road as it is Now fence^{d}. out

8 To Know the minds of the town Whether they Will abate the Rates of Abijah Livermore assessed at 1—9—4—3/4 and allso Joseph Hager Rates Which is 1—10—3—3/4 Borth in Constable John Walker List

Voted By Said town at the meeting afore Said that Elisha Jones Esqr Be Moderator of Sd meeting

	Elisha Jones Esqr.
	Abraham Bigelow
	Braddyll Smith
	John Warren
	William Whitney

Clerk and Treashurer Braddyll Smith Sworn march 1st. money oath and oath of office

Constables	Samuel Child Josiah Allen	they borth highered Samuel train to Serve in their Room and he Was Excepted by the town and Sworn March the 8th money oath and oath of office

Voted that the Selectmen Shall be Assessors for the year Ensuing

Assessors	Abra^m Bigelow Braddyll Smith John Warren	Sworn Assessors money oath and oath of office March 1st.
Wardens [44^2.]	Nathanal Williams Nathan Fisk	Sworn money oath and oath of office
Serveyors	Jones Herrington Elisha Fullam Abr^m. Gale Isaac Hager J^r Lew John Warren	Sworn money oath and oath and oath of office Marc 1st
Tythingmen	Jones Peirce David Stearns	Sworn money oath and oath of office March 1st.

Fenceviewers	Moses Herrington Nath^ll Cooledge	Sworn money oath and oath of office March : 1st :
Hogreaves	Josiah Cooledge Josiah Mansfield	Sworn money oath and oath of office
Preservers of Deer	Samuel Garfield John Mirick J^r	Sworn march the 1 : money oath and oath of office
field Drivers	Elisha Fullam Cap^n. Henry Spring	Sworn March money oath and oath of office
Sealer of Leather	Thomas Russell	Sworn march 1st money oath and oath of office
Serveoyr of bord and Shingel and Clabord	Cap^n. Samuel Baldwin	

To take Care of the meetinghous Pound &c Isaac Jones the year Ensuing for four Dolers

The foregoing is a List of the officers Chosen at the meeting affore Said

Then it it Was Voted By Said town at Said meeting to Adjurn this meetting to monday Next at three of the Clock in the after Noon

[45².] At a Meeting of the free holderers and other Inhabitence of the town of Weston Qualifyed to Vote in town affairs on monday the 8th. Day of March Ad 1762 By adjurnment from the 1st of Sd March

2 The town Treashurers accounts Were Red and Excepted as followeth

Rec^d. of Abraham Whitney Late Constable in full .	12	8	0	
Rec^d of Constable Thomas Upham in Part . . .	83	10	1	
Rec^d. of Constable John Walker in Part . . .	77	18	3	¾
Rec^d. of the Intrest Due on the Several Bond Due to the town	15	19	10	
	189	16	2	¾

Pd to Sundrey Persons By order the following sums				
Pd to Reverd. Mr. Samuel Woodward in full for his Salerey for one year Ending Sepr. 25th. 1760 and for his fierwood the same year	23	3	4	¾
Pd. the Revd. Mr. Samuel Woodward in Part for his Salerey ending Sepr. 25th. 1761	36	15	10	1
Pd. Mr. Daniel Stimson Late Schoolmaster in full for Keeping School and bord	15	6	8	
Pd. Mr. Phinehis Whitney Late Schoolmaster in full for Keeping School and for his bord	27	13	2	
Pd Mr. Jones Herrington Jur. for Plank for Watertown bridge	3	10	9	
Pd Mr. Samuel Train in Part for the Suport of Thomas Train	6	00	0	
Pd. Mr. Isaac Whitemore for Clorthing for the Widow Partriage	1	4	0	
Pd Mr. Jones Herrington for Suporting Widow Partriages beoys	14	13	5	
Pd Decon Abijah Upham for bording the School master	1	07	8	
Pd Mr. Israel Whitemore for Plank for the bridgeses .	1	16	11	
Pd Mr. Theophelis Mansfield for takeing the Jenerial Inveoys	1	18	0	
Pd Mr. John Warren for takeing the Jenerial Inveoys	2	00	0	
Pd. by assignment to Sundrey Persons in Constable Walkers List	4	12	4	
Pd Mr. Josiah Mansfield for his care of the meeting-hous one year Ending March 1761	1	04	0	
Pd for a Sealing hamer to Seal Leather with . .	0	02	0	
Pd for glaising and mending the Windows in the Senter and North East Shool hous	0	10	9	
Pd Mr. William Whitney for a fee he gave Mr Goof .	0	12	0	
Pd for Wans for the Wardens	0	1	2	¾
Pd for Expences in finishing the Suit with Waltham and for Copeys of the Judgment	0	8	0	
Pd By the abatement of John Hagers Jurs Rates In Constable Elish Warren List	1	6	4	
Pd. for New binding the Law boock	0	1	3	
Pd to William Whitney for the Suport of Simeon Hagers wife and Child	2	7	8	
Pd to Josiah Mansfield for hook and Stapels for the School housen	0	4	3	
Pd Mr. John Allen for takeing the Jeneiral Inveoys .	2	6	0	
Pd By the abatement of the Pools Pay to the Province tax of the Persons hereafter Named: Viz: Ens. Elish Jones: Joseph Norcross Isaac Herrington: Nathll Livermore: Abijah Livermore: William Bond Joseph Livermore	6	10	8	

P[d] for Bords and Winder Stuf for the meetinghous .	7	12	0	
P[d] for hous Rent for Elisha Coxes fameley for one year	2	00	0	
P[d] M[r] John Mirick for Plank for Watertown Bridge .	1	17	5	
P[d] my Self the Ballonce of my Last years accounts being	23	02	10	¾
	190	8	7	¾
There Remains Due to Sd treashurer on this Adjuistment the Sum of £0:12:5				
[46[2].] There Remains in Constable Samuel trains hand[s]	9	1	3	
In Constable Thomas Upham[s] hands	26	15	5	
In Constable John Walkers hands	24	5	8	¾
In Samuel trains hand Present Constable . . .	120	14	10	
and In Jonathan Stratton[s] hand Present Constable .	105	18	6	
	286	15	8	¾

We the Subscribers haveing Examined the fore going accounts and find them Right Cast by Elish Jones and John Warren Selectmen February the 26th. 1762

3 Voted By Sd town at Sd meeting that their Swine go at Large in Sd town the year Ensuing if Weel Regulated

4 Voted By Sd town to Do their highway Work By a Rate the Ensuing year and Granted the Sum of fourty Pounds, to be Worked by the Last of october Next in the yourshel manner

5 Voted the List of Jurors as the Selectmen had Prepared it and the first Eighteen to be Put in to the Superer box

6 It was Put to Vote to Know the minds of the town Whether they would abate the Rates of Samuel Lawrance assesed at 1—1—11 and it Pased In the Negetive and then Joseph Stimsons which is 0—15—5 and it Pased In the Negetive Next Nath[ll] Livermors which is 5—12—6—3/4 being in two Lists the first Negetived the Last abated. Next Was Daniel Garfields which is 1—0—4 and it Was Negetive[d]. Next Was Peter trains which is 0—19—5 and it Was abated: all in Constable Samuel trains Lists

7 it Was Put to Vote to Know the minds of the town Whether they Would Except of a Way as is fenced out from Benjamin Peirceses Barn yeard to the Contrey Roade as is Now fenced out and it Pased in the affermetive

8 it Was Put to Vote to Know the minds of the town Whether they Would abate the Rates of Abijah Livermore assessed at 1—9—4—2/1 and Joseph Hagers 1—10—3—3/4 borth in Constables John Walkers List and it Pased In the affermetive

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitence of the town of Weston Qalifyed according to the Reoyal Charter to Vote in the Choyce of a Representiteve assembeled at the Publick meeting hous in Said town on fryDay the 14th. Day of May Ad 1762 at one of the Clock in the after Noon : the Majer Part of the Electors then Present Did in the Presence of the Selectmen Make Cheoice Elish Jones Esqr to Serve for and Reprent them In a great and Geniral Court or assembley appointed to be Convened Cept and held for his Majestys Servis at the Court hous In Boston on Wedensday the 26th. Day of May Currant

[47[2].] At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitence of the town of Weston Dewly Quallified and Legaly Warned In Publick town meeting assembld at the Publick meeting hous in Said town on Monday the 22 Day of November Ad 1762 at one of the Clock in the afternoon then and there

1 To grant the Revd. Mr. Samuel Woodward his Sallrey for one year Begining the 25th. of Sepr. Last and make Provision for his fierwood for Sd year

2 To hear the town Creditors accounts and act thereon

3 To grant money for Schooling and other Nesesary Charges in Sd town

4 To Know the minds of the town Whether they Will abate the Rates of Joseph hager in Constable Strattons List Which is fourteen Shillings and Samuel Corys Rates in the Same List Which is one Pound Six Pence 1/4

5 To Know the minds of the town Whether they Will abate the Rates of Capn. Nathll Livermore In Constable Trains List for the year Ad 1757 and allso the Rates of Joseph Stimson In the Same List and allso the Rates of Samuel Lawrance in the Same List and allso the Rates of Daniel Garfiel in the Same List

Voted By Said town at S^{d} meeting that Braddyll Smith be moderator of Sd meeting

1 Voted The Rev^{t}. M^{r}. Samuel Woodward the Sum of Sixty Six Pounds Thirteen Shillings and four Pence for his Salerey one year Begining Sepr. the 25th. 1762 and allso the Sum of ten Pounds to Enable him to Provide his own fierwood the Same year Which in the hole is 76 :13 :4

2 Voted the town Creditors accounts as followeth : viz :

To Constable Samuel Train for Salery 10/ for warning three town meetings 6/ for Carring Pacence Clark and Son to Waltham 4/ to carreing a Woman and Child to Newtown 2/8 to carreing a Woman to Sudbury 1/4 to Carreing Cox and famely to Waltham 18/8	2	2	8
To Constable Thos. Upham for Salerey 10/ for Warning 3 town meeting 8/ for Carreing Widow Boleson to Waltham 3/	1	1	0
To Mr John Warren for makeing Rates in the year 1761: 6 Days	0	12	0
To M^{r}. Abr^{m}. Jones takeing the Inveoys 2 Days and makeing Rates 5 Days in the year 1761 . . .	0	14	0
To Constable Jonathan Stratton for Salerey 10/ for Warning 3 town meetings 6/ for Carreing a Wooman to Waltham 4/	1	00	0
To M^{r}. Aaron Jones for Sealing the Weights and meashuers 5/	0	05	0
To Braddyll Smith for makeing Rates in the year 1761 : 18 Days 36/ and takeing Inveoys 2 Days 4/ for Paper to make Rats on 3/4 and for one Day Prambelating With Waltham and Lincoln 2/ .	2	05	4
To M^{r}. William Whitney for Prambelating With Waltham and Lincoln	0	02	0
To M^{r}. Abr^{m}. Bigelow for Prambelating With Needham 2/	0	2	0
To M^{r}. Nath^{ll}. Janison for Prambelating With Needham 2/	0	2	0
To Elisha Jones Esqr for Prambelating With Sudbury and Natick 3/	0	3	0

3 Voted one Hundred and fifty Pounds to Suport Schooling and to Defray other Nesesarey Charges in Said town

4 It Was Put to Vote to Know the minds of the town

Whether they would abate the Rates of Joseph Hager In Constable Strattons List which is 14/ and it Pased in the affermetive then it Was Put to vote to Know their minds Whether they Would ababte the Rates of Samuel Cory in the Same List and it Pased in the Negetive

5 It Was Put to Vote to Know the minds of the town Whether they would abate the Rates of Nath[ll] Livermore in Constable trains List and it Pased In the Negetive then it was Put to vote to know their minds Whether they will abate the Rates of Joseph Stmson In the Same List and it Pased In the affermitive — then Samuel Lawrances Was Put to Vote and it Pased In the affirmetive then Daniel garfields was Put to Vote and it Pased in the affirmitive.

[48[2].] 1763

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitence of the town of Weston Dewly Quallified and Leegely Warned in Publick town meeting on Monday the Seventh Day of March Ad 1763 at ten of the Clock in the fore Noon

1 To Chuse Selectmen and other town officers for the year Ensuing that are by Law Required

2 to hear the town treashurers accounts for the year Past and act there on

3 To Know the towns mind Whether their Swine Shall go at Larg the year Ensuing

4 To Know the towns mind Whether they will Repare their highways by a Rate the Ensuing year and if So grant money therefor

5 To hear and act upon a List Prepared for the Jury Box

6 To Know the town mind whether they will give Liburty that the Gramer School May be Kept in two Places on the South Side of the town at their turn of Schooling in Case they Provide hous Room

7 To Know the town mind Whether they will abate the Rates of William Hager Dec[d]. In Constable trains List for the year 1761

8 To Know the minds of the town Whether they will accept of a Bridel Way as it is Now trod from Samuel trains Dwelling

hous by John Joneses and so on by his Barn and Streight from his barn to the town Way Leeding to the Country Road: Nesesary Gates being hang[d] and kept in Repare at the Cost and Charge of Samuel Train and Abr[m]. Jones

9 To Know the minds of the town whether they will Pay to Cap[n] Henry Spring the Money that Was Paid for his Son Elijah Spring[s]. Rates in Constable Strattons List and the Cost he Paid

10 To Hear the Petision of William Whitney Ju[r]. and others To Know the minds of the town Whether they Will Make Sum addition to the Publick meetinghous in Weston and Grant money to accomplich the Same and In Case they Dont Se Cause to Do it then Know Whether they will Seet the meetinghous in S[d] town

Voted By Said town at Said meeting that Elisha Jones Esq[r] be Moderator of Sd meeting

Selectmen
- Abraham Bigelow
- Braddyll Smith
- John Warren
- Samuel Train
- Thomas Upham

Clerk and Treashurer Braddyll Smith Sworn March the 7th.

Constables
- Elisha Fullam Sworn March the 7th
- Josiah Smith: and Samuel Train was Excepted in his Stead and Sworn March the 7th.

Assessors
- Braddyll Smith
- John Warren
- Josiah Smith

Sworn March the 7th.

[49.]

Wardens
- James Livermore
- Braddyll Smith

Sworn March the 7th.

Serveyors of Highways
- Daniel Livermore J[R]
- Samuel Train
- Joseph Garfield
- Jones Peirce
- Nathan Fisk

Sworn March 7th.

Tythingmen	NATH^LL COOLEDGE ISAAC HOBBS	Sworn March the 7th.
Hogreveas	ISAAC GREGORY JONATHAN STIMSON	Sworn March the 7th.
Dearreves	LEMUEL JONES JONATHAN FISK	Sworn March the 7th.
Feild Drivers	THOMAS PEIRCE JONATHAN UNDERWOOD	Sworn March the 7th.
Fence vewers	JABEZ HERRINGTON JAMES MIRICK	Sworn March the 7th.
Sealers of Leather	THOMAS RUSSELL NATH^LL JANESON	Sworn

Serveoyr of Boards and Shingels and Clapords SAMUEL BOLDWIN Sworn

Serveoyr of Wheat ABRAHAM BIGELOW Sworn

To take Care of the meetinghous Pound and so forth ISAAC JONES

Then it was Voted By Said town to adjourn Sd meeting to Monday Next at one of the clock in the after Noon at the Same Place to meet

[50.] At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitence of the town of Weston Quallified by Law to Vote In town affairs on Monday the fiftenth Day of March Ad 1763 By Adjurnment from the 7 Day of S^d March: the town treashurers accounts Were Read and Excepted as followeth

2 Viz Rec^d of Con stable John Walker in Part .	22	2	11	1/1
Rec^d. of Constable Jonathan Stratton in Part . .	99	8	8	1
Rec^d. of Constable Samuel Train in Part . . .	96	12	1	3
Rec^d. of Constable Thomas Upham in Part . . .	20	15	4	0
Rec^d. for the Bill of Cost Recovered against Waltham	12	4	0	0
Rec^d of Intrest Due on the Several Bonds Due to the town	15	19	10	0
	267	2	11	1
P^d. To Sundrey Persons By order the following Sums: viz:				
P^d To the Rev^d. M^r. Samuel Woodward in full for his Salerey for one year Ending Sepr. the 25th. 1761 and for his fierwood the Same year	39	17	5	4/3

Pd. To the Revd. Mr. Samuel Woodward in full for his Salerey for one year Ending Sepr. the 25th. 1762 and for his fier Wood the Same year	76	13	4	0
Pd. School Master Marrit in full for keeping the town School	20	0	0	
Pd Mr. Isaac Jones in full for 20 thousand of Shingels for the meetinghous	13	6	8	0
Pd Mr. Thatcher Smith for Preching in the time of Mr. Woodward Sickness	4	13	4	0
Pd to Isaac hobbs for bording Schoolmaster marrit .	2	15	2	1
Pd Decon Upham for bording the ScHoolmaster . .	3	13	4	0
Pd to Thos. Rand for Repareing the South School hous	4	2	9	0
Pd Capn. Henry Spring for his Suporting Joseph Jones in his Last Sickness	4	7	10	0
Pd by the abatement of Joseph Hagers Rates In Constable Strattons List	0	14	0	0
Pd Mr. Nathan Woolson for his Care of the meeting-hous one year Ending March 1762	1	4	0	0
Pd By assignment to Sundrey Persons	6	14	7	0
Pd Mr. Jones Herrington for Suporting Widow Partriages Beoys	18	2	5	0
Pd Mr. Jonathan Stratton for his Labor and Stuff for the Repare of the meeting hous	7	2	8	0
Pd Mr. Isaac Whitemore for Clorthing for Widow Partriage	1	1	4	0
Pd. for glaising the North East Schoolhous . . .	0	3	0	0
Pd. for Cost and Expences for Runing the Line with Waltham	0	8	8	0
Pd. My Self Labour and Expences in giting Stuf for the meeting hous	1	16	0	0
Pd Schoolmaster Cory in Part for keeping the town school	2	8	8	0
Pd Mr. Nathll. Williams for Plank for the town bridges	0	13	2	1
Pd. By abatement of abijah Livermors Rates in Constable Walkers List	1	9	4	2
Pd By abatement of Joseph Hagers Rates In Constable Walkers List	1	10	3	3
Pd the Revd. Mr. Samuel Woodward in full for bording Schoolmasters	9	0	0	0
Pd for the abatement of James Bigelows Rates in Constable Uphams List	0	18	8	0
Pd. By the abatement of Joseph Bigelows Rates in Constable Trains List	0	19	8	0
Pd. By the abatement of Peter trains Rates in Constable Trains List	0	19	5	0
Pd By the abatement of Nathll Livermores Rates in Constable Trains List	1	15	3	0

P^{d}. By the abatement of Daniel Garfield Rates in Constable Trains List	1	0	4	6
P^{d}. By the abatement of Samuel Lawrances Rates in Constable Trains List	1	1	11	0
P^{d} By the abatement of Joseph Stimsons Rates In Constable Trains List	1	1	11	0
P^{d}. By the abatement of Elisha Cox^{s}. Rates in Constable Trains List	1	0	6	0
P^{d} for the Suport of Thomas Train in full to the 2^{d}. of Novr. 1762	27	13	4	0
P^{d}. M^{r}. Jones Herrington J^{r}. for Plank for Watertown bridge	3	9	7	0
P^{d} my Self the ballonce of my Last years account being	0	12	5	0
P^{d}. for the Suport of the Widow Mary hager and her Children	2	2	5	0
	264	13	6	2

There Remains In Sd treashurers hands of this account 2—9—4—3

[51.] And there Remains in the hands of Samuel Train — of his former Collection as Constable .	9	1	3	0
and In the hands of Thomas Upham late Constable	6	0	1	3
and In the hands of John Walker Late Constable	2	2	9	2
and In Samuel Trains hand as Late Constable .	24	2	8	1
and In Jonathan Strattons hand as Late Constable	6	9	9	3
and In Samuel Trains hand as Present Constable	226	13	4	0
	274	10	0	1

We the Subscribers haveing examined the fore Going accounts and and find them Well Vouched and Right Cast — March the 14th. 1763 they wear Rec^{d} and Xcepted — ABRAHAM BIGELOW, JOHN WARREN — Selectmon of Weston

3 Voted that the Swine go at Large the Ensuing year if Well Regulated

4 Voted that the Highways be Repared By a Rate as usual and fourty Pounds Granted for that use and to be Worked out by the first of Novr Next

5 Voted that the List of Jurors Be Excepted as it Standeth

6 Voted that the School may be Cepht on the South Side of the town in two Places their Next turn of Schooling they finding Proper Room

7 Voted to abate the Rates of William Hager In Constable Trains List for the year 1761

8 it was Put to vote to know the minds of the town Whether they Would Except of a Bridle Way from Samuel Trains and it Pased in the afermetive as followeth : viz : from Samuel Trains Dwellinghous as it is Now trod by John Joneses and so on by his barn to the town Way Leeding to the Contrey Road : Nesesary gates being hange^{d} and Cept in Repare at the Charge of Samuel Train and Abr^{m}. Jones

9 Voted to pay Cap^{n}. Henry Spring the money that Was Paid for his son Elijah Spring^{s}. Rates In Constable Strattons List and the Cost he P^{d}

10 Voted to Seet the Meetinghous by the following Rule : Viz : to take the two Last years tax bills and Put them togather and Devide them and take half : allso allow twenty Shillings a year for age And Elisha Jones Esqr. M^{r}. Abr^{m}. Bigelow and M^{r}. John Warren to be a Committe to Seet S^{d} hous

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabiten of the town of Weston Quallified according to the Reoyal Charter to vote in the Cheoyce of a Representive at the Publick Meeting-hous in S^{d} town on Monday the Sixtenth day of May Ad 1763 at two of the Clock in the afternoon : The mager Part of the Electors then Present Did in the Presence of the SelectMen Make Cheoyce of Elisha Jones Esqr. to Serve for and Represent them in the Great and Geniral Cort or assembley appointed to be cept and held for his Majestys Servis at the Court hous in boston on Wednasday the twenty fifth Day of May Ad 1763

[52.] At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitence of the town of Weston Dewly Quallified and Leguly Warned in Publick town meeting assembled at the Publick meetinghous in Said town on Monday the 21 Day of Novr. A^{d} 1763 at one of the Clock in the after Noon then and there

1 To grant the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Samuel Woodward^{s}. Sallary for one year begining the 25th. of Sepr. Last and to make Provision for his fierwood the Sd year

2 To hear the town Creditors accounts and act thereon

3 To grant money for Shooling and other Nesesary Charges

4 To Know the minds of the town Whether they Will Build a Workhous in Said town : and if So Grant money there for. or Call in money Due to Said town and make all Such Nesesary Preparations there for as they Shall think Proper

5 To Know the minds of the town What further Instructions they will Giue to the Committe appointed to Repare the Publick meeting hous in Sd town and if they think Proper to go on in the Repare then Grant money there for or make other Nesesary Provision there for

6 To Know the minds of the town Whether they Will Give Josiah Smith Liburty to build him a Pue in the East End of the meetinghous in Sd town Next the Womens galerey Stares the town Reserving the Libuerty of yousing the Closit under the Womens Stares and the box by the Side of the Stares

7 To know the minds of the town Whether they Will open the town way from John Walker Ju^rs Dwelling hous to the meeting hous in Sd town

Voted at Said meeting by Said town that M^r. Abraham Bigelow Be moderator of Said meeting

1 Voted The Rev^d. M^r. Samuel woodward Sixty Six Pounds thirteen Shilling and four Pence for his Salerey one year begining Sepr. the 25th. 1763 and allso the Sum of ten Pounds to Enabel him to Provide his own fierwood the Same year

2 Voted the town Cred^rs accounts as followeth viz

To Constable Samuel Train for Salerey 20/ for warning three town meetings 12/ to Carreing James Boos to Newtown 12/ to Warning amon Semer out of town 2/	2	6	0
to M^r. John Warren for making Rates in the year 1762: 14 2/1 Days	1	9	0
to Braddyll Smith for Drawing Lists and making Rates and take Inveoys in the year 1762 : 43/ to Paper to make the Rates on 3/8 to 188 feet of Plank for the town bridges 22/3	3	8	11

3 Voted one Hundred and Seventy Pounds to Suport Schooling and other Nesesary Charges in Sd town

4 Voted to build a Workhous in Sd town 2 voted to Call in So much of the money that is Due to S^{d} town as is Nesesary to accomplish the Same 3 voted that Each man Shall Pay in Proportion to What he hes in his hands 4 voted to Chuse a Committe of 3 for the Purpos: Elisha Jones Esqr. M^{r}. Abr^{m}. Bigelow and Braddyll Smith Was Chosen for that Purpos 5 voted that the Committe afore Sd be Impowered to take a Deed of a Ceirtan Peice of Land to Set the afore Sd hous on Which he Josiah Smith offered to give to the town for that youse 6 voted to have the hous compleeted within one year from the Date

[53.] 5 Voted to Give further Instructions to the Committe appointed to Repare the meetinghous 2 voted to Go on and Repare the South Side and the two Ends and to Shingel the back Side of the Ruf as Was formerly Proposed 3 voted to Call in So much of the money that is Due to the town as Shall be Needed to accomplish the Same

6 Voted that Josiah Smith have Libuerty to build him a Pue In the East End of the Meetinghous Next to the Women^{s}. Stares the town Reserveing the Room as Yourshal for the ministers Cushing and the Sacrement vessels, and to be upon the Same futing that them Pues are that Was Last granted

7 it Was Put to vote to Know the minds of the town Whether they would open the town Way from John Walker Ju^{rs}. Dwelling hous to the meetinghous and it Pased in the Negetive

At a meeting of the freeholders and other inhabitence of the town of Weston Duly Quallifyed and Leguly Warned In Publick town meeting assembled at the Publick Meeting hous in Said Weston on Monday the fifth Day of March Ad 1764

1 To Chuse Selectmen and other town officers for the year Ensuing that are by Law Required

2 To hear the town treashurers accounts and acct thereon

3 To know the towns mind Whether they Will Repare their highways by a Rate the Insuing year and if So grant money therefor

4 To Know the mind of the town Whether their Swine Shall go at Large the Ensuing year

5 To hear and act upon a List Prepared for the Jury Box

6 To hear the Petition of Mr. Jonathan Bullard and others 1 to Know the minds of the town Whether the grammor School Shall be Cept in the four Quarters of this town only and if So 2 to make all Nesesary Provision there for

7 To Know the minds of the town Whether they will Puches about one acker and a half of Land of Mr. Josiah Smith for Convenance for the Workhous and if So make Provision therefor

8 To Know the minds of the town Whether they Will abate the Rates of Mr William Hager Late of Weston Ded. In Constable Uphams List Which is 0—14—7—2 and allso the Rates of Joseph Tidd in In the Same List Which is 0—17—1—0

This is a full Discharge to the Town of Weston for my Salary and Fire-wood for the Year Ending Sept : 25. 1763 which I received of Braddyll Smith Treasurer for Sd. Weston

Feb : 28. 1764 SAML. WOODWARD

1764.

[54.] 1 Voted By Said town at the meeting afore Sd that Mr. Abrm. Bigelow be moderator of Sd meeting

Selectmen	ABRM. BIGELOW BRADDYLL SMITH JOHN WARREN SAMUEL TRAIN THOMAS UPHAM	
Clark and treashurer	BRADDYLL SMITH	Sworn March the 5
Constables	DAVID STEARNS JOSEPH WHITNEY	Sworn March the 5
Assessors	ELISHA JONES ESQR JOHN WARREN BRADDYLL SMITH	Sworn
Wardens	JONES HERRINGTON JUR JONATHAN BULLARD	Sworn

Serveoyrs of highways and Collectors	ELISHA JONES ESQR SAMUEL TRAIN SAMUEL SEVERANS JUR JOSIAH MANSFIELD BENJN. PEIRCE	Sworn
Tythingmen	JOHN LAMSON ELISHA WARREN	Sworn
Hogreaves	JONES PEIRCE JOSEPH LOWVEL	Sworn
Preserver of Dear	MOSES HERRINGTON THOMAS RAND	Sworn
Field Drivers	JONES HERRINGTON ABRM. GALE	Sworn
Fence vewers	BENJN. PEIRCE LEMUEL JONES	Sworn
Sealer of Leather	BENJN PEIRCE NATHLL JANESON	Sworn

Serveoyrs of Bord Shingels Clabbords and hoops

STEVEN JONES AARON JONES	Sworn

Serveoyr of Wheet and Flower &c ABRM. BIGELOW — Sworn

The foregoing officers took the oath Relating to the other Government money as well as the oath of office

To take Care of the meetinghous Pound &c JOSIAH SMITH

[55.] 2 The town Treashurers accounts Were Read and Excepted as followeth

Viz Recd. of Constable Samuel Train in Part . .	247	6	2	2
Recd. of Constable Thomas Upham in Part .	3	12	5	
Recd of Constable Jonathan Stratton in Part .	2	9	9	3
Recd of the Ballance that Remaind in my hand the Last ajustment	2	9	4	3
	£255	17	10	0

Pd To Sundrey Persons by order the following Sums: viz:			
Pd To the Revd. Mr. Samuel Woodward in full for his Salerey one year Ending Sepr. 25th. 1763 and for his fierwood the Same year	76	13	4
Pd Henry Cogen for Suporting Partriages Child to the 5th. of March 1763	7	9	8
Pd Isaac Jones for his Care of the meetinghous 2 years Ending march 1764	2	8	0
Pd Isaac Hobbs in full for his bording Schoolmaster Cary	3	0	0
Pd Capn. Samuel Boldwin in full for his bording School-masters	8	13	4
Pd Decn. Upham in full for his bording Schoolmasters	6	0	0
Pd Thomas Rand for his Labour at the Repare of the meetinghous	0	8	0
Pd Thade. Spring for takeing Hannah Daughter of widow Mary Hager	6	0	0
Pd Schoolmaster Cary in full for his keeping the town School	28	13	6
Pd Coln. Jones for Casd he Pd In the Lawsuit With Waltham the Last year	2	10	4
Pd Isaac Whitemore for Clorthing for the widow Partriage	1	14	2
Pd for hous Rent for Samuel Cory	1	12	0
Pd Jones Herrington in full for his Suporting widow Partriages Beoys	6	15	6
Pd Samuel Train in full for the Suport of Thos. train to Novr. 2. 1763	16	11	11
Pd Abrm. Bigelow for what he Suported widow Mary hager and Children	6	00	6
Pd Jonathan Stratton for makeing window fraims and Sarshes for the meetinghous	6	00	0
Pd Thos. Upham in full for the Stonewall the town Was to make by the New Road in his Land . . .	4	16	0
Pd Samuel Garfield in Part for Suporting Jones Hagers Wife and other Expences	1	9	5
Pd. Capn Henry Spring for his Prambelating the town Line With Sudbury Last tearm	0	2	0
Pd To the attorneys in the Suit With Waltham at the Several Courts	10	4	0
Pd To Capn Horsmer Serveoyr for his assistance in the Suit With Waltham	2	10	6
Pd John Jones Serveoyr for his assistance in the Suit With Waltham	1	4	0
Pd By assignment In Constable Uphams List . .	2	19	3
Pd by assignment In Constable Trains List . . .	8	9	0

P^d Josiah Mansfield for Plank for Watertown bridge .	2	11	3	1
P^d Jonathan Stratton for his Repareing the Senter Schoolhous	0	4	0	
P^d for Clorthing and other Nesesarys for Sarah Daughter of Widow Mary hager	2	4	8	
P^d to Witneses and other assistance and Expences In the Suit With Waltham	16	9	6	
P^d John Jones Esqr 8/ to Benjn. Reed Esqr 6/8 for their assistance	0	14	8	
P^d Thomas Upham for What he Suported widow Mary hager	0	3	4	
P^d for the Repare of the South Schoolhouse . .	0	6	4	
P^d Samuel Train for Plank for the town bridges . .	0	2	8	
P^d School Master Cogen in Part for his Keeping the town School	3	12	0	
P^d to warning ammon Seamor and Henry Gale and fameley	0	10	0	
P^d Cap^n. Henry Spring the money he P^d. for his Son Elijahs Rates	1	7	3	
	£240	10	1	1
[56.] There Remains In the hand of Samuel Train Late Constable	12	11	0	3
and In the hand of John Walker Late Constable .	2	1	0	2
and In the hand of Thos. Upham Late Constable .	2	7	8	2
and In the hand of Jonathan Stratton Late Constable .	4	0	0	0
and In the hand of Samuel Train Present Constable .	119	15	8	0
and In the hand of Elisha Fullam Present Constable	126	17	8	0
	267	13	1	¾

There Remains in Said Treashurers hand 15—7—8—3

We the Subscribers haveing Examined the fore Going accounts and find them Well Vouched and Right Cast

ABR^M. BIGELOW
JOHN WARREN } Selectmen of Weston

March the fifth Ad 1764 they were Rec^d and Excepted

3^d voted that the Swine go at Large the year Ensuing if Well Regulated

4 voted to Repare their highways by a Rate the Insuing year and fourty Pound Granted there for and to be Work^d. out by the firt Day of Novr. Next

5 voted the List of Jurers as it Standeth

6 it Was Put to Vote to Know the minds of the town Whether they Will Grant the Petitesion of Jonathan Bullard and others and it Pased in the affermetive then it Was mentioned and Sekonted to Reconsider Said Vote and try^{d}. and Reconsidered the Same and Dismised it accordingly

7 Voted to Purtches a bout one ackor and a half of Land off Josiah Smith ajining to that Which he gave to the town to Set a Workhous on : for further accomidations for Said Workhous : and 2dly. Voted that the Committe appointed to Build the Workhous be impowered to take a Deed In behalf of Said town and 3 voted that the Pay for Said Land Should be taken out of the money Due to Said town on bond

8 voted to abate the Rates of William Hager Dec^{d}. In Constable Uphams List Which is fourteen Shillings and Seven Pence two farthings and and allso voted to abate the Rates of Joseph Tidd in the Same List which is Seventeen Shillings and one Peney

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitence of the town of Weston Quallifyed according to the Reoyal Charter to Vote in the Cheoyce of a Representive at the Publick meeting-hous in Said Weston on monday the twenty first Day of May Ad 1764 at two of the Clock after Noon : The Majer Part of the Elictors then Present Did In the Presence of the Selectmen Make Cheoyce of M^{r}. Abraham Bigelow to Serve for and Represent them In a great and Geniral Court or assembley to be Convend held and Cept at the Court hous In Concord upon Wednesday the thirteth Day of May Ad 1764

[57.] At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitence of the town of Weston Dewly Quallified and Legaly Warned in Publick town meeting assembled at the Publick Meeting-hous in Said Weston on Wedensday the twenty first Day of Novr. Ad 1764 at one of the Clock after Noon then and there

1 To Grant to the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Samuel Woodward his Salerey for one year Begining the 25 ^{h} of Sepr. Last and make Provision for his fierwood the Same year

2 To hear the town Creditors accounts and act there on

3 To Grant money for Schooling and other Nesesary Charges in S^{d} town

Voted By Said town at Said meeting that M^{r}. Abraham Bigelow Be Moderator at S^{d} meeting

1 Voted to the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Samuel Woodward Sixty Six Pounds thirteen Shillings and four Pence for his Salerey one year Begining the 25th. of Sepr. Last and allso the Sum of ten Pounds to Enabel him to Provid his own fierwood the Same year

2 Voted the town Credi^{ts} accounts as followeth viz

To Constable Joseph Whitney for Carreing Abr^{m}. Parkhust and fameley from Weston to Waltham 8/ and Mary Dodg 3/	0	11	0
To Constable Samuel Train for Salerey 10/ for warning 3 town meting 6/	0	16	0
To Constable Elisha Fullam for Salerey 10/ for warning 3 town metings 6/ for Carring Moses Larkin out of town 4/ and for Carreing Mary Brown and two children out of town 5/	1	5	0
To Lew^{t}. John Warren for makeing Rates In the year 1763 12 Days at 2 Shilling P^{r}. Day 24/ . . .	1	4	0
To Doctor Star for medisons and tendance for the widow Marthew [Martha] Parkhust and her Children	6	11	4
To Braddyll Smith for makeing Rates and takeing Inveoys In the year 1763 Sixten Days 32/ and for Paper to make them on 3/8	1	15	8
To M^{r}. John Walker for Carreing Hannah Wallis from Weston to waltham 3/ and for Carring Jonathan Pope from Weston to Waltham 3/ Both in the year Ad 1746	0	6	0
To Josiah Smith for makeing Rates and takeing Inveoys In the year Ad 1763 thirteen and a half Days	1	7	0
	13	16	0

3 Voted The Sum of one Hundred and Sixty Pounds to Be Paid into the town treashurey to Suport Schooling and to Defray the Nesesary Charges arising in S^{d} town

This is a full Discharge to the Town of Weston for my Salary and Fire-wood for the Year Ending Sept: 25. 1764 Which I received of Braddyll Smith Treashurer for s^{d}. Weston July. 12. 1765 SAM^{L}. WOODWARD

Weston March 3. 1766 Then received of Braddyll Smith Treashurer for s^d^. Weston Seventy Six pounds, thirteen Shillings and four pence in full for my Salary and Fire wood for the Year Ending Sept: 25. 1765 — ℔ SAM^L^. WOODWARD

1765.

[NOTE. Pages 58 and 59 are missing. They contained the Warrant for the Town Meeting, March 4, 1765, and the List of Officers chosen for that year, and also the accounts of the Town Treasurer. A portion of the list, recovered from other sources, is as follows: —

Selectmen — ABRAHAM BIGELOW, BRADDYLL SMITH, JOHN WARREN, THOMAS UPHAM, JOSIAH SMITH.

Clerk and Treasurer — BRADDYLL SMITH.

Constables — THOMAS RUSSELL, WILLIAM SMITH JR.

Assessors — BRADDYLL SMITH, JOHN WARREN, ABRAHAM JONES.

Surveyors of Highways and Collectors — JONAS HARRINGTON, INCREASE LEADBETTER, JONATHAN BULLARD, JOHN BEMIS, ABR^M^. SANDERSON.

Care of the Meeting House — JOSIAH SMITH.]

[60.] March the fourthe 1765 the fore going accounts Were Red and Excepted by Said town at Said meeting

3 Voted that their Swine Go at Large the year Ensuing if Well Regulated

4 Voted to Repare their high Ways by a Rate the Insuing year and Granted the Sum of Sixty Pounds there for to be Worked out by first Day of Novr. Next

5 Voted the List of Jurers as Was Prepared by the Selectmen

6 Voted to abate the Rates of Samuel Cory Ju^r^. in Constable Strattons List Which is 1—0—6—1/4

At a Publick town meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitence of the town of Weston Quallified according to the

Royal Charter to Vote In the Cheoyce of a Reprsentetive at the Publick Meetinghous in Said town on Monday twentieth Day of May Ad 1765 at two of the Klock afternoon: the mager Pat of the Elictors then Present Did In the Presence of the Selectmen Make Cheoyce of M^{r}. Abraham Bigelow to Serve for and Represent them In a Great and Geniral Court to be Convend Cept and held at the Courthous In boston on Wedensday the 29 Day of May Ad 1765

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitence of the town of Weston Dewly Quallified and Legely Warned In Publick town Meeting assembled at the Publick Meetinghous in Said town on Monday the twenty first Day of October Ad 1765 at one of the Klock after Noon then and there

1 To grant the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Samuel Woodward his Salerey for one year Begining the 25th. of Sepr. Ad 1765 and make Provesion for his fierwood Said year

2 to grant money for Schooling and other Nesesary Charges in Said town

3 To hear the town Creditors accounts and act thereon

4 To Chuse a Constable on the South Side of the town to Serve In the Rume of William Smith Ju^{r}. who is Removed out of town

5 to Know the Minds of the town whether they will Proseed any further In the Lawsuit With Waltham or to the Seteling the Line Between the towns of Weston and Waltham

6 To hear the treashurers accounts of the Caust of Building the workhous and act there on

7 To Know the minds of the town Consearning the Stamp act or Whether they will Give any Directions to their Representive to act there on

Voted By Said town at Said meeting that M^{r}. Abr^{m}. Bigelow be Moderator of Said meeting

1 Voted To the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Samuel Woodwart the Sum of Sixty Six Pounds thirteen Shillings and four Pence for his Salerey one year begining 25 of Sepr. Last and allso the Sum

of ten Pounds to Inabel him to Provid his one fierwood Said year

[61.] 2 Granted the Sum of one Hundred and Sixty Pounds to be assessed on the Inhabitence of S^{d} town to Suport Schooling and other Nesesary Charges in S^{d} town and to Paid Into the town treasburey

3 Voted the town Creditors accounts as followeth : viz:

To Elisha Jones Esqr for Eighteen Days makeing Rates in the year 1764 36/ to takeing the Inveoys on the South Side of the town and Drawing Lists 3 Days 6/ and for Paper /8	2	2	8
To M^{r}. John hager for four Slepers for the town bridges 6/	0	6	8
and allso for Eighty feet of Plank for the town bridges 8/	0	8	0
To William Bond for two Slepers for the town bridges .	0	4	0
To Constable Joseph Whitney for Salerey 10/ and for Warning three town meetings 6/	0	16	0
To Braddyll Smith for making Rates In In the year 1764 Six Days 12/ to Righting a highway warrant 1/ to Paper to make the Rates on 2/ to 154 feet of Plank for the town bridges 12/ Pr hundred 18/ . . .	1	13	0
To M^{r}. Samuel Severons for 108 feet of Plank for the town briges	0	13	0
To Lewt^{tn}. John Warren for makeing Rates and takeing Inveoys In the year 1764 ten Days 20/ . .	1	0	0
	7	3	4

4 Benjamin Jones Was Cosen Constable in the Rume of William Smith Who was Removed out of town and Mr Thomas Russell was Excepted and Sworn In his Roome the Same Day

6 Voted to Except the accounts of the Caust of the Building the workhous in Weston Which is as followeth : viz :

P^{d} To John Brown for the frame for the workhous .	12	2	0
P^{d} fir Diging the Seler	7	6	0
P^{d} for Eight thousand of Shingels	5	6	8
P^{d} for Stoning the Seler	9	12	0
P^{d} for five thousand of Pichpine bords . . .	8	6	8
P^{d} for two thousand and 3 hundred of Whitepine bords	6	14	11
P^{d} for Eight thousand of bord Nails	3	8	0
P^{d} for one thousand of Dubel tens 14/8 . . .	0	14	8
P^{d} for Nine thousand of Shingel Nails	1	8	4
P^{d} for Eleven thousand and five hundred of bricks .	13	16	0

Pd for three lode of Clay 18/ for mantentrees 8/ . .	1	6	0	
Pd. for makeing Morter and tending masons 18 1/2 Days at 2/8 pr. Day	2	9	4	
Pd for Lime 6 Burshel 7/6 to hare 3/	0	10	6	
Pd for half a Box of Glass 60/ for seting the glass 16/	3	16	0	
Pd To Timothey Bemis for his Labor at the workhous	4	0	0	
Pd Lewt. Jonathan Stratton for his Labour at the work hous	7	2	5	
Pd To the masons for Seting up the Chimney and briching the walls	5	5	7	
Pd for Ioyrn for mantelrees and ovens mouth . .	1	3	0	
Pd for Leveling the Gravel Bank 12/ for hinges and window Spiks	2	6	11	
Pd to Josiah Smith for 2 acros of Land for Convenances for the work hous	10	0	0	
Pd to Joshia Smith for bording the Masons tenders and glasher	3	2	4	½
Pd for 1150 feet of Oak bords	2	0	0	
Pd for Carting Six Lod of Bords 38/	1	18	0	
Pd Mr. Abrm Bigelow for his Labour at the workhous	1	11	8	
Pd Thomas Rand for his Labour at the workhous . .	7	2	10	
Pd for 12 Latcheses for the Dowers 12/	0	12	0	
For my Labour at the workhous and Providing Stuf 28 Days at 3/4 Pr. Day	4	13	4	
	127	15	2	½

5 Voted By Said town at Said meting that the Selectmen of Weston Procee^d to Setel the Line between the town of Weston and Waltham

7 the town of Weston at Said meeting Voted that they would Not give any Directions to their Representetive to act any thing Con Serning the Stamp act

1766

[62.] At a meeting of the free holders and other Inhabitence of the town of Weston Dewly Quallified and Legaly Warned and In Publick town meeting assembled at the Publick meeting-hous in Said town on monday the third Day of March Ad 1766

1 To Chuse Selectmen and other town officers for the year that are by Law Requir^d

2 To hear the town treashurers accounts and act thereon

3 To Know the minds of the town Whether their Swine Shall go at Large the year Ensuing

4 To Know the minds of the town whether they will Repare their highways by a Rate the Ensuing year: and if So Grant money there for

5 To here and act upon a List Prepared for the Jury Box

6 To hear the Petision of Samuel Train and others to Know the minds of the town Whether the Gramer School Shall be Kept in the four Quarters of the town only: and if that Should be their minds then to make all Nesesary Provision therefor

7 To Know the minds of the town Whether they will abate the Rates of Mr Benjamin Stearns to the Province and County: £ s d

In Constable Joseph Whitneys List which is . 0—7—6

8 To Know the minds of the town Whether they will abate Capn. William Hanfields Pool tax to the Province town and County £ s d

in Constable Joseph Whitneys List which is . 0—16—6

9 Where as the Line Between the towns of Weston and Waltham from the Westerly Side of Stourers Broock So Called is verey Crooked and Dissagreable to Some of the Inhabitance of Each town and is thought by Some that by Exchanging of Some Land on both Sides a more Commodis Line might be made Between Sd Broock and Lincoln Line &c this is to Know the minds of the town Whether they will appoint a Commitee to goine With Such a Committee as may be Chose By the town of Waltham to make a Line accordingly

10 To Know the minds of the town Whether they Will open the Way from Mr. Samuel trains Dwellinghous by Lewt. Abrm. Joneses to the County Road Where it was formerly Voted a bridel way or any Part there of

1 Voted By Said town at Said meeting that Mr. Abrm. Bigelow be Moderator of Sd meeting

Selectmen
- Abrm. Bigelow
- Braddyll Smith
- John Warren
- Thos. Upham
- Josiah Smith

Town Clerk and Treashurer BRADDYLL SMITH — Sworn

Constables	JOSEPH GARFIELD CAP^t. JOHN MIRICK	Thos. Russell Excepted in S^d Garfields Rume and Sworn William Lawrance Excepted In Capn Miricks Rume and Sworn
Assessors	BRADDYLL SMITH JOHN WARREN ABR^M. JONES	all Sworn
[63.] Wardens	JONATHAN UNDERWOOD BENJAMIN JONES	Sworn
Serveoyrs of Highways and Collectors	ELISHA HERRINGTON JOHN HASTINGS SAMUEL STIMSON ISAAC GREGORY ISAAC HOBBS	Sworn
Tythingmen	ISRAEL WHITEMORE ISAAC JONES	Sworn
Hogreves	THOMAS PEIRCE WILLIAM WHITNEY	Whitney Sworn
Preserver of Dear	NATHAN HOBBS JOSIAH HADLEY	Sworn
field Drivers	THOMAS PEIRCE EDWARD HASTINGS	hastings Sworn
fence vewers	ISRAEL WHITEMORE SAMUEL SEVERNS JU^R	Sworn
Seler of Leather	THOMAS RUSSELL JEREMIAH WHITEMORE	Sworn
Serveoyrs of Bords Clabbord Shingels hoops &c	ISAAC JONES AARON JONES	Sworn

Serveoyr of Wheet and flower ABR^{M}. BIGELOW — Sworn to take Care of the meeting hous Pound &c JOSIAH SMITH

2 Voted the town treashurers accounts as they Stand

3 Voted that the Swine go at Large being Well Regulated the year Ensuing

4 Voted to Repare the highways and town Roads by a Rate the Insuing year and Granted the Sum of Sixty Pounds for that Purpors

5 Voted the List of Jurers as they Stand

6 it Was Put to vote to Know the minds of the town Whether they Would act on the Petision of Samuel Train and others and it Pased in the Negetive

7 it was Put to vote to Know the minds of the town Whether they will abate the Rates of M^{r}. Benjamin Stearns and it Pased in the Negetive

8 Voted to abate the Pool taxe of William Hanfield to the Province town and County In Constable Joseph Whitneys List which is £0 — *s*16 — *d*6

9 it was Put to vote to Know the minds of the town Whether they would Chuse a Committe to Joyn with a Committe that might be Cosen by Waltham to Straten the Line between the S^{d} towns and it Pased in the Negetive

10 The town voted to Open the gate Way from M^{r}. Samuel Trains Dwelling hous by Lew^{t}. Abr^{m}. Jones^{s}. Dwelling hous to the County road and Granted the Sum of two hundred and five Pounds old ten to Enabel the Parties Conserned to Do it: viz: To M^{r}. Samuel train one Hundred and Sixty Pounds old ten to M^{r}. John hastings ten Pounds old ten to Abr^{m}. Jones thirty five Pounds old ten

[64.] The town treashurers accounts Which Were excepted as afore Said are as followeth: viz:

The account of Braddyll Smith treashurer for Weston from March the 4th. 1765 to March the 3^{d} 1766

Rec^{d}. of Constable Samuel Train in Part . . .	25	4	3	$\frac{3}{4}$
Rec^{d}. of Constable Jonathan Stratton In full . .	4	0	0	
Rec^{d} of Constable Elisha Fullam In Part . . .	69	10	10	$\frac{1}{4}$
Rec^{d}. of Constable Joseph Whitney in Part . . .	88	5	11	

Rec^{d}. of Constable David Stearns in Part . . .	57	19	11	$\frac{1}{4}$
Rec^{d}. of Constable Thom^{s}. Upham in full . . .	0	16	0	
Rec^{d}. of the ballonce that remained in my hands the Last ajustment	3	2	4	$\frac{2}{4}$
Rec^{d} of Constable Samuel train by a Note Due to the town	3	10	0	
	£252	9	5	0
P^{d} To Sundrey Persons by order the following Sums. viz :				
P^{d} To the Rev^{d}. Mr Samuel Woodward in full for his Salerey one year ending Sepr. the 25th. 1764 and for his fierwood Said year	22	3	9	$\frac{1}{4}$
P^{d} the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Samuel Woodward in full for his Salary one year ending Sepr. the 25th. 1765 and for his fierwood Said year	76	13		4
P^{d} M^{r}. Nath^{ll}. Williams in full for bording Schoolmaster Coggen	5	2	4	
P^{d} M^{r}. Henry Coggen for his suporting William Partriage to March 1765	7	18	8	
P^{d} for the Repare of the Senter Schoolhouse . .	1	2	0	
P^{d} By the abatement of Samuel Corys Ju^{r}. Rates in Constable Strattons List	1	0	6	$\frac{1}{4}$
P^{d} Josiah Smith for his care of the meetinghous two years ending March 1766:	2	10	0	
P^{d} Schoolmaster Coggen in Part for Keeping the town School	27	3	4	
P^{d} for the Suport of thomas train 16 months to the 2 Day of March 1766	21	8	0	
P^{d} By the assignment in Constable Whitneys List .	5	3	8	
P^{d} to the attorneys In the Lawsuit with Waltham .	7	10	0	
P^{d} for Copyes and to Witneses and for other Expence In the Lawsuight with Waltham	18	14	4	
P^{d} for the Suport of Jones Hagers wife^{s}. Children to the 3^{d} of March 1766	10	2	3	
P^{d} In the Dispute With Newtown	3	4	3	
P^{d} for the Suport of Samuel Cory and Wife to the 3^{d}. of March 1766	7	3	8	$\frac{3}{4}$
P^{d} Josiah Smith for bording Schoolmaster Coggen four months	6	0	0	
P^{d} Lew^{t}. Isaac Allen for bording Schoolmaster Coggen two months	3	0	0	
P^{d} M^{r}. Nathan Fisk for bording Schoolmaster Coggen two months	3	0	0	
P^{d} for the Suport of the Widow Partriage to the 3^{d}. of March 1766	5	2	0	
P^{d} to the Widow Stimson for a Lode of wood for the Widow Parkhust in their sickness	0	4		

P. for Warning four famileys and cautioning at Court	1	0	0	
Pd By assignment In Constable Uphams List . .	0	16	0	
Pd Mr Jonathan Bullard for bordinging Schoolmaster Coggen 4 months	6	0	0	
Pd By assignment In Constables Stearns List . .	8	12	4	
Pd Jones Herrington Jur. for Plank for Watertown Bridge	2	0	7	¾
Pd Mr. Bigelow for Plank for the town bridges . .	1	4	0	
Pd Mr. Bigelow for What he Provided for the Widow Mary Hager	1	10	0	
Pd Mr. Bigelow for what he Provided for the Widow Marthey Parkhurst in the time of their last Sickness	2	11	3	
	£258	0	4	¾

There is Due to Said treashurer 5—10—11—¾

We the Subscribers haveing Examined the fore Going accound and find them well vouched and Right Cast } ABRM. BIGELOW, JOHN WARREN } Selectmen

There Remains in the hand of Constable Samll train .	6	11	2	1
and In the hand of Constable Joseph Whitney . .	25	8	0	0
and In the hand of Constable David Stearns . .	64	19	5	3
and In the hand of Constable Thos. Russell . . .	226	13	4	
and In the hand of Constable Elisha Fullam . .	4	1	0	¾
	327	13	0	¾

[65.] At a Publick town meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitence of the town of Weston Quallified according to the Reoyal Charter to vote In the Cheoyce of a Representetive In a Publick town meeting In Sd town on Monday the twelueth Day of May Ad 1766 at two of the Clock after Noon the Majer Part of the Electors then Did in the Presence of the Selectmen Did make Cheoyce of Mr. Abrm. Bigelow to Serve for and Represente them In a Great and Geniral Court to be Convend Kept and held for his Majestys Servis at the Courthous In Boston on Wedensday the 28th Day of May Ad 1766

At a meeting of the free holder and other Inhabitence of the town of Weston Dewly Qallifyed and Legaly Warned and In Publick town meeting assembled at the Publick Meetinghous in

Said town on Monday the 3d. Day of Novr. Ad 1766 at one of the Clock after Noon

1 To Grant money for the Revd Mr Woodwards Salery for one year begining the 25th. of Sepr. Last and to make Provision for his fierwood the Sd year

2 To Grant money for Schooling and other Charges in Sd town

3 To hear the town Creditors accounts and act thereon

4 To Know the Minds of the town Whether they will Except of an alteration of a town way Leeding from Concord Road to the Meetinghous viz: To Shift it off from the Lands of Jeremiah Whitemore and Samuel Lamson from the South End of Philipeses Land So Called over the Rockey hill So Called towards the meetinghous till it Comes to the Next town Road: and Except of it a Crost the Lands of Braddyll Smith and Josiah Smith till it Comes to the town way Leeding By Mr. John Walkers to the meetinghous: as marked by the Selectmen by the Desier of a No. of the Inhabitence Liveing on the North Side Town: and allso open the town way through the Lands of Mr. John Walker and John Walker Jur

5 To Consider Whether and What it may be thought Proper to Instruct ouer Representative Reletive to the Recomendation of his Majesty to Make Good the Loss his Honor ouer Lewt. Govenor and Several other gentn. In Boston Sustained by the violance and out Rage of a Lawless Rable.

Weston Feb: 23. 1767 Then received of Braddyll Smith Treasurer for Sd. Weston Seventy Six pounds, thirteen Shillings and four pence, in full for my Salary & Firewood for the Year ending Sept: 25. 1766 ℔ Samr. Woodward

[66.] Voted by Said town at the meeting afore Said that Mr. Abrm. Bigelow be Moderator of Said meeting

1 Granted the Sum of Sixty Six Pounds thirteen Shillings and four Pence for the Revd. Mr. Samuel Woodward Salerey for one year begining the 25 of Sepr. Last and allso the Sum of ten Pounds to Inabel him to Provide his own fierwood Sd year

2 Granted the Sum of one Hundred and Seventy Pounds to

be assessed on the Inhabitence to Suport Schooling and other Nesesary Charges In Sd town and to be P^d In to the treashurey by the first Day of June Next

3 Voted the town Creditors accounts as followeth : viz :

To Lew^t. John Warren for 8 Days makeing Rates for the year 1765: 16/ and for Prambelating the town Line with waltham one Day 2/	0	18	0
To Constable David Stearns for Salerey 10/ for warning 3 town meetings 6/	0	16	0
To M^r. Samuel Stimson for Labour and. and Plank and other metearils for the Repare of the New Bridge So Called £6—13—4	6	13	4
To Constable Thos. Russell for Salerey 20/ for warning 3 town meeting 12/ and for Carreing Mary and Sary Evens to waltham 4/ and for Carreing Jane Kendick to Natick 3/ and for one Day Prambelating the town Line with Sudbory 2/	2	1	0
To M^r. Thos^s. Upham for Prambelating the town Line with Natick and Needham 2/	0	2	
To Braddyll Smith for Makeing Rates In the year 1765: 17 Days 34/ to takeing Inveoys and Drawing Lists 3 Days 6/ to Riting 8 warrants 5/4 for Paper for the Rates 3/8 for Prambelateing the town Line with Waltham Lincoln and Sudbury 6/	2	15	0
To M^r. Josiah Smith for Prambelating the town Line with Lincoln	0	2	0
To M^r. Abr^m. Jones for makeing Rates in the year 1765: 7 Days 14/ and takeing the Inveoys 2 Days 4/ . .	0	18	0
To M^r. Abr^m. Bigelow for Prambelating the town Line with Needham	0	2	0
	£14	7	4

4 Voted the Exchange of the town ways from off the Lands of Jeremiah Whitemore and Samuel Lamson from the South End of Philips^s. Lane So Called over the Rockey hill towards the meetinghous : till it Comes to the New town way Near Sd Lamsons Dwelling hous ond the Said Whitemore Promised to Pay the Sum of four Pounds for his Part of the old Way and Said Lamson the Sum of one Pound Six Shillings and Eight Pence for his Part of the old way to be Given up to them and that to be Layed out to help Purches the other way whitch is as followeth : and Discribed to the town In Said meeting viz —

Begining at Concord Road So Called and Runs Sutherly a Crost the Lands of Braddyll Smith and Josiah Smith begining one Rod west from the Northwest Corner of Braddyll Smith Dwellinghous then to a heep of Stones on a Nole then to a Rock with Stones on it then to a Rock with Stones on it by the Side of the broock then to a Stake and heep of Stones then to a Nother Stake and Stones then to a great Rock with Stones on it then to a Nother Rock with Stones on it then to a Small white oak tree marked then to a Stake and heep of Stones by the Side of the wall on the Line between the Lands of Braddyll Smith and Josiah Smith : then Runs on Josiah Smith^{s}. Land to a heep of Stones on a Rock then to a heep of Stones by the Side of a town way Leeding by M^{r}. John Walkers to the meeting hous the marks afore Said are all on the Easterly Side of Said way — Sd way to be two Rods wide Excepting where it first begineth at Concord Road by Braddyll Smith hous ten Rods Sutherly to be one Rod and a half in wedeth

and allso voted by Sd town that the town make one Good Stone wall on the Side of Said way through the land of Braddyll Smith and Josiah Smith till it Comes to the town way afore Sd : 2 : allso voted by S^{d} town to open the Gate way through the Lands of M^{r}. John Walker and John walker Ju^{r}.

M^{r}. John Brown Ju^{r}. offered In S^{d} meeting for to make ten Rods of the wall of the towns Part and Nathan Smith Seven Rods

5 Voted to Give Instructions to their Representetive Reletive to makeing good the Sufferes In the town of Boston by the out Rages Commited there on the 27 of August 1765 and Chose a Committe to Prepare a Draught : viz Samuel. P : S. Saviage Esqr. Elish Jones Esqr. and Cap^{n}. John Brown : and they Reported as followeth (and was voted by Sd town)

To M^{r}. Abr^{m}. Bigelow S^{r}. the town Directs you to Give youer vote in the Gen^{e} Assembly to make full Compensation to the Late Sufferers in the town of Boston by the Roiters on the 27 of August 1765 to be P^{d} out of the Publick treashurey : and that you allso Do youer Endever that the Same be Replased In the treashurey again if Posibel from the Perpetrators thereof or from any town or town that have a bette^{d}. the Same But if

upon a full Debate in the hous it appears to you that Some other meashures may be more Salutory we Leave it to you that the Same be Done In that way

ELISHA JONES } *Com'.*
JOHN BROWN }

1767.

[67.] At A Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabtence of the town of Weston Dewly Quallifyed and Legaly Warned in Publick town meeting assembled at the Publick meetinghous in S^d town on Monday the Second Day of March 1767 at ten of clock before noon then and there

1 To chuse Selectmen and other town officers for the year ensuing that are by Law Required

2 To hear the town treashurers accounts for the year Past and act thereon

3 To Know the minds of the town whether their Swine shall Go at Large the year ensuing

4 To know the minds of the town whether they will Repare their high ways by a Rate the Insuing year: and if So Grant money therefor

5 To hear and act upon a List Prepared for the Jury box

6 To Know the minds of the town What consideration they will make M^r. John Walker for their opening the Gateway through his Land

7 To Know the minds of the town Whether they will abate the Rates of Daniel Garfield In Constable Elisha Warrens List

8 To Know the minds of the town whether they will abate the Rates of Cap^n. Nath^ll. Livermore In Constable Samuel Trains List for the year 1757 Which is 3 : 17—3—¾ and allso the Rates of William Norcross in S^d trains List In the year 1762 Which is 0 : 19—3—

9 To Know the minds of the town Whether they will abate the Rates of Matthew Hobbs for his Poll In Constable Russells. List or any Part thereof

10 To Know the minds of the town Whether they will abate the Rates of Benjamin Stearns for his Poll^r. Pay to the Province In Constable Whitneys List

1 Voted by S^d town at S^d meeting that M^r. Abr^m. Bigelow be moderator of S^d meeting

Selectmen	Abraham Bigelow Braddyll Smith Josiah Smith John Mirick Jonathan Stratton	
Clark and treashurer	Braddyll Smith	Sworn March 6th. 1767
Constables	John Lamson James Smith	Sworn
Assessors	Braddyll Smith John Warren Abr^m. Jones	Sworn
Wardens	Elisha Herrington William Whitney	Whitney Sworn
Serveoyrs of highways and Collectors	Lemuel Jones Abr^m. Jones Tha^p. Spring Joseph Allen Israel Whitemore	all Sworn
tything men	Joseph Whitney Samuel Lamson	Sworn
[68.] Hogreves	Elisha Herrington Jones Sandersons	Sanders Sworn
Preserver of Dear	James Livermore Josiah Cooledge	Coolidge Sworn
field Drivers	Timothey Bemis Samuel Fisk	Fisk Sworn
fence vewers	James Smith William Lawrance	Sworn
Sealers of Leather	Benjamin Peirce Thomas Russell	Sworn
Serveoyers of bords Clabbords Shingels Hoops &c	Samuel Boldwin Isaac Jones	Boldwin Sworn

To take Care of the Meetinghous and Pound &c Josiah Smith

2 The town treashurers accounts Were Red and Excepted Which are as followeth

The account of Braddyll Smith treashurer of Weston from march the 3 : 1766 to march the 2d. 1767

Recd. of Constable Elisha Fullam In full . . .	4	1	0	¾
Recd. of Constable David Stearns in Part . . .	46	17	5	¼
Recd of Constable Joseph Whitney In Part . . .	16	5	9	¼
Recd of Constable Thomas Russell In Part . . .	128	2	8	0
Recd of Jeremiah Whitemore for the town way given up to him the Last town meeting for which he was to give	4	0	0	
	£199	6	11	0

Pd By order the following Sums to Sundrey Persons			
Pd To the Revd. Mr. Samuel Woodward In full for his Salerey one year Ending Sepr. the 25th. 1766 and for his fierwood Sd year	76	13	4
Pd To Schoolmaster Coggen In Part for Keeping the to n School	31	17	8
Pd To Henry Coggen for the Suport of William Partriage one year to the 4 of March 1766 . . .	7	1	8
Pd To Docter Woolson for Doctoring Samuel Cory and Wife	0	13	4
Pd for the Suport of Jones Hagers wifes Child at Samuel Corys	5	17	8
Pd for the Suport of Samuel Cory and wife . . .	6	4	7
Pd for the Repare of the Senter Schoolhouse . .	1	8	2
Pd my Self for bording Schoolmaster Coggen 9 weeks at 6/ pr. week	2	14	0
Pd for the Suport of thos. Train In Part . . .	2	19	10
Pd for two Bed blankits for Joseph Hagers familey .	0	18	0
Pd In the Dispute With Watertown about the Widow Beoynton and familey and a fee to Goff . .	0	16	0
Pd In Seteling the Line With Waltham and for Copeys and a fee to acck moody	6	18	8
Pd By abatement of Capn Hanfields Polls. Pay in Constable Whitneys List	0	16	6
Pd for the Suport of the Widow Partriage . . .	3	1	8
Pd to Docter Star for Doctering Samuel Cory and Wife in full to this time	1	10	0
Pd to Josiah Smith for his Care of the meetinghous one year to March 1767	1	4	0

Pd for Warning and Cautioning against Jahn Hager and Andrew Dewing	0	9	0
Pd for 575 feet of Plank for the town bridges at 12/ pr. hundred	3	6	0
Pd to Israel Whitemore for Carting Plank for the town bridges	0	4	0
Pd By assignment in Constable Thos. Russell List for the year 1765	7	3	4
Pd To Israel Whitemore for Plank for the Great bridge In Watertown	2	10	10
Pd To Jones Herrington for Plank for the Great bridge In Watertown	1	7	11
Pd Docter Woolson In Part for bording Schoolmaster Coggen	2	9	2
Pd Docter Star for Doctering Jones Hagers Wife and Child	0	15	0
Pd Jonathan Bullerd In full for bording Schoolmaster Coggen 4 months	6	0	0
Pd Benjamin Herrington for Plank for the Great bridge In Watertown	2	1	0
Pd Samuel Stimson for Repareing the New bridge So Called over Charls River	6	13	4
Pd Abrm. Bigelow for Copeys and for Expence In the Dispute With Newtown	1	13	4
Pd My Self the ballonce Due to Me the Last Adjustment	5	10	11
	190	19	4

[69.] There Remains In the hands of Sd treashurer 8: 7: 7

We the Subscribers haveing Examined the fore going accounts and find them Well vouched and Right Cast

JOHN WARREN
JOSIAH SMITH

There Remains In the hands of Constable Samuel Train	6	11	2	¼
And In the hands of Constable David Stearns . .	18	2	0	¾
And In the hand of Constable Joseph Whitney . .	9	2	2	¾
And In the hand of Constable Thos. Russell for the year 1765	98	10	8	
And In the hand of Constable Wm Lawrance for ye. year 1766:	118	4	8	
And In the hand of Constable Thos. Russell for the year 1766	128	8	8	
	378	19	5	¾

2 Vot[d] The Exceptance of the treashurers accounts as they Standeth

3 Voted that the Swine go at Large the year Ensuing if Well Regulated

4 Voted to Repare their highways by a Rate the year Ensuing and granted the Sum of 60 Pounds therefor: and voted that the Serveoyrs allow 4[d] p[r]. hower for Labour

5 Voted the List of Jureoyers as it Standeth the first Quarter for the Superor Box

6 it Was Put to vote to Know the minds of the town what Consideration they Would Make M[r]. John Walker for opening the town Way through his Land and it Pased In the Negetive

7 Voted to abate the Rates of Daniel Garfield in Constable Elisha Warrens List which is £0—7s—8d—0

8 it was Put to vote to Know the minds of the town whether they would abate the Rates of Cap[n]. Nath[ll]. Livermore In Constable Samuel trains .List for year 1757 Which is 3 : 17 : 3 : 3/4 and it Pased In the Negetive

2 it was Put to vote to Know the minds of the town Whether they would abate the Rates of William Norcross In S[d] trains List for the year 1762 which is 0—19—3 and it Pased In the affermetive

9 it Was Put to vote to Know the minds of the town Whethe they would abate the Rates of Mathew Hobbs for his Poll to the Province or any Part there of and It Pased In the Negetive

10 Voted to abate the Rates of Benj[n]. Stearns for his Polls Pay to the Province In Constable Joseph Whitneys List

At a Publick town meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitence of the town of Weston Quallified according to Reoyal Charter to vote In the Cheoyce of a Representetive In Publick town meeting assembled at the Publick meetinghous In Weston on Monday the 18th Day of May Ad 1767 at two of the Clock after Noon: The Majer Part of the Electors then Present Did In the Presence of the Selectmen make Cheoyce of M[r]. Abraham Bigelow to Serve for and Represent them In a Great and Geniral Court to be convened held and kept at the Court house In boston on Wedensday the 27th Day of May Ad 1767

[70.] At a Publick town meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitence of the town of Weston Dewly Quallified and Legaly Warned In Publick town meeting assembled at the Publick meetinghous in S^{d} town on Monday the 23^{d}. Day of Novr. Ad 1767 at one of the Clock after Noon

1 To Grant the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Samuel Woodwards Salery for one year begining the 25 of Sepr. Last and to make Provision for his fierwood Said year

2 To hear the town Creditors accounts and act thereon

3 To Grant money for Schooling and other Nesesary Charges in Said town

4 To Know the minds of the town Whether they will Except of a Small alteration of a town way in the Land. of Dec^{n}. Thomas Upham as marked by the Selectmen

5 To hear the treashurers account for the Repare of the meetinghous and the finishing the Workhous and act thereon

6 To hear the Petision of M^{r}. John Walker Desiering to know the minds of the town Whether the will make him any Recompence for the Damiage Don to him In opening the town way through his Land and if So what

7 To hear the Petision of M^{r}. Daniel Livermore and others

1 Desiering to know the minds of the town whether they will Seet the meetinghous and Chuse a Committe for that Purpos 2 to know the minds of the town whether they will build a Nother Seet in the Woomans Side Galerey there being Roome therefor 3 To know the minds of the town whether they will Provide four Righting Schools or more two months or more in the four Quarters of the town in the Winter season the year Ensuing from this time 4 to know the minds of the town whether they Will build one Seet in the meetinghous all Round before the fore Seets in the Galereys if Not to know if they will Give Liberty to Nath^{ll}. Cooledge and Daniel Livermore Ju^{r}. to build two Pues one at Each Corner of the frunt Galereys before the fore Seets So at Not to Discommode any Person a bove Nor below

Voted By Sd town at Said meeting tat M^{r}. Abr^{m}. Bigelow be moderator of Sd meeting

1 Granted the Sum of Sixty Six Pounds thirteen Shillings and four Pence for the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Samuel Woodwards Salerey for one year begining the 25th. of Sepr. Last and allso voted the Sum of ten Pounds to Enabel him to Provide his one fierwood S^{d} year

2 Voted to Except of the town Creditors accounts as they Stand which is as followeth viz:

To Constable william Lawrance for warning three town meeting 6/ for Salerey 10/ for Carreing Charls Gavet and wife and two Children to Waltham 6/ . . .	1	2	0
To Constable Thos. Russell for Carreing the Widow Beoynton to waltham 3/ to Carreing the votes for a County Regestor to Charlstown 3/8 for Salerey 10/ for warning 3 town meetings 6/	1	2	8
To Lew^{t}. John Warren for makeing Rates In the year 1766: 4—1/2 Days	0	9	0
To Lew^{t} Abr^{m}. Jones for makeing Rates In the year 1766 5 Days 10/ 2 Days takeing Inveoys on the South side 4/	0	14	0
To Braddyll Smith for makeing Rates In the year 1766 and for takeing the Inveoys on the North Side and Drawing Lists and warrants 24 Days at 2 Shillings P^{r}. Day 48/ for Paper to make Rates on 3/8 . . .	2	11	8
	5	19	4

3 Granted the Sum of one Hundred Pounds to Suport Schoolling and other Nesesary In Sd town: 2: voted the Sum of twenty Pounds towards Pay for Building the Wall through the Land of Braddyll Smith and Josiah Smith which the town voted to make the 3^{d}. Day of Novr. Last for the way Lay^{d}. through their Lands

4 Voted to Except of the alteration of the town way In the Lands of Dec^{n}. Thomas Upham as marked by the Selectmen which is as followeth Begining at a great Rock In Joseph Garfield wall on the West Side of the way thence Sutherly to a Read oak tree marked Standing in the old way. then to a heap of Stones on a Rock Near the Line Between Joseph Garfield and the S^{d} upham. then to a Gray oak tree marked In the Land of the S^{d} upham then Into the old way afore S^{d} the mark are all on the Westerly Side of S^{d} way Said way to be 2 Rods In wedeth

then the meeting was ajourned by a vote of the town to Monday Next

[71.] At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitence of the town of Weston Quallified By Law to vote In town affairs assembled at the bublick meeting house in Sd town on Monday the 30th. Day of Novr: By Ajournment from the 23d Day of Sd month

5 Voted to Except of the treashurers accounts for the Caust of Repareing the meetinghous: and allso voted to Except of the accounts of the Caust of finishing the workhous which is as followeth and ordered to be Recorded

The account of Braddyll Smith treashurer In Weston for what he has Payed out for the Repare of the meetinghous By order the following Sums .

Pd To Lewt. Jonathan Stratton for 38 Days work at the meetinghous at 4/ Pr. Day for his Son Jonathan 17 Days at 3/ pr Day	10	11	0	
Pd Mr Timothey Bemis for 35—1/2 Days at 4/ pr. Day 10 at 3/8 pr. Day	8	18	9	
Pd To Mr. Thomas Rand for 27—1/2 Days at 4/ pr. Day	5	10	0	
Pd Mr. Daniel Livermore for 15—1/2 Days at 4/ pr. Day	3	2	0	
Pd For glase and Nails	9	18	10	2/4
Pd For Paint and Ioyl	10	18	8	
Pd For three thousand of Clabbord	12	0	0	
Pd The glasher for Seting the Glass	2	7	8	
Pd For bords and Plank and troves and window caps .	6	10	1	
Pd For Leden Spouts to Carre off the water . . .	0	12	0	
Pd The Masons for whiteworshing the meetinghous .	0	16	8	
Pd For lime for Whitewoshing and for mending the underpining	0	9	5	
Pd Josiah Smith for bording the masons and Glashor .	1	1	6	
Pd Solomon Jones for Spikes and hooks and Staples .	1	13	7	
Pd for Carting the Stuf and for Stage Poles . . .	1	8	10	
Pd My Self for Labour at the meetinghous and for Procuering all the Stufe twenty four days at 3/6 pr. Day	4	4	6	
	£78	19	6	2/4
Pd For more Labour and metearels for the workhous to 5—1/2 Days work 20/ to Paint and Ioyl 3/6 . .	1	3	6	
Pd Mr. James Stimson for bords for the workhous . .	1	1	8	
	£81	4	8	2/4
Recd. for the old Stuf that was sold at the meetnghous .	1	15	3	

WESTON February the 16th. 1767

We the Subscribers haveing examined the accounts of the caust of Building the Workhous: and the Repare of the meetinghous: and the money due to the town on bonds: and We find yet Due to the town on the bonds Prinsipel and Intrest on a Ballonce to the first day of Novr. Last the sum of Eighty four Pounds and Five Pence In full of all

ABRM. BIGELOW } Selectmen
JOHN WARREN } of Weston

6 It was Put to vote Whether the town Would make any consideration to Mr. John Walker for opening the town way through his Land and it Pased in the Negetive

[72.] 7 Voted to Seet the meetinghous and Chose a Comitte for that Purpose and are as followeth: viz: Braddyll Smith Jonathan Stratton Jones Herrington Jur. and to Seet by the following rule: viz: twenty Shillings a year to be allowed for age and the Last years valuation of Real Estates: 2 voted to build a Nother Seet in the womans Side Galerey in the meetinghous 3d. it was Put to vote Whether the town will Provide four Righting schools two months or more In the four Quarters of the town the Present year In the winter Season and it Pased in the Negetive: 4: it was Put to vote to know the mind of the town Whether they would built a Seet in the meetinghous all Round before the fore Seets in the Galerey and it Pased in the Negetive then it was Put to vote to know whether the town would Give Libuerty to Daniel Livemore and Nathll. Cooledge to build each of them a Pew befor the frunt Galereys at each Corner and it Pased In the Negetive

the town then manifested their desier by a vote that the Selectmen would move the Devision in the frunt Galerey between the men and women as far to the next Post in the womans Side

the fore Going was Recorded by order of the Moderator

1768

At a Publick meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitence of the town of Weston quallified by Law to vote in town

affairs assembled at the Publick meetinghous in S^{d} town on Monday the fourth Day of January Ad 1768 at ten of the clock afterNoon

1 to hear the Petision of Abr^{m}. Gale and others : 1 : to know the minds of the town whether there Shall be three Schools kept in the winter Season at one and the Same time within the Center South and North Devisions : for the tearm of four months or as the town Shall Judge Best : the two Last mentioned Divisions to have Leave to Subdevide their time if it be Desiered : 2 : To know the minds of the town whether they will Provide a Grammer Schoolmaster for one year Ensuing to be Setteled and Suported according to Law and allso to Provide two other Surtibel Persons Quallified to Instruct the youth in Reeding Righting and Cyphering to teach the tree Said Schools the tearm that my be agreedon as above S^{d} 3^{d} to know whether the town will Chuse a commtte to assertain the S^{d} Devisions of the Schools and allso Carry into Execution the voted of S^{d} town Reletive to the foregoing artickels or act any other thing that my be judged Nesesary Relating to the Scool

2 To hear the Petision of Daniel Livermore Ju^{r}. and others to know the minds of the town if they will reconsider their vote for building another Seet in the Wemins Side Gallerey In the Publick meetinghous : Pased at their meeting on Monday the 30 of Novr. Last by adjournment : and in Sted thereof make a Pue or Pues as the town Shall See fitt and Degenesie the same

3 To hear the Petision of Nathan Fisk and others Desiering to know the minds of the town whether the Publick School Shall be Kept in the four quarters of this town and there only : and then Chuse a Committe out of town to fix the Places in each Quarter of the town Where the Schoolhousen Shall Stand according to the Last Rate bill and the N^{o}. of Dwelling houses as Near the Center of each Quarter as the Curcumstances of each Devision will allow of in the judgment of the S^{d} committee : or Pass any other vote as S^{d} town Shall think Proper for their own Profit or Benifit

4 To hear the Petision of Joseph Whitney and others to

know the minds of the town whether they will take the Pues and Ground into their hands that belong to them and Dispose of them as they think Proper

[73.] Voted by S^{d} town at the meeting afore S^{d} that M^{r}. Abr^{m}. Bigelow be moderator of S^{d} meeting

1 It was Put to vote to Know the minds of the town whether they would keep the School in the three Devisions in S^{d} town as mentioned In the warrant and it Pased in the Negetive : 2 : it was mosioned and Seconted to know whether the School Should be Cept in Six Places in the Wintor Season and Put to vote and it Pased in the Negitive : 3^{d} : it was Put to vote to know Whether the School Should be Kept in fiue Places in S^{d} town : viz : one in the Center two on the South two on the North for the tearm of two months for the wintor Season (if the South Side Provided Surtibel housen to keep their S^{d} two Schools in) and it Pased In the afermetive : 4 : Voted to Chuse a Grammer Schoolmaster for one year Ensuing to be Seteled and Suported according to Law : 5 : Voted to Chuse a Committe to Provide Schoolmasters for to teach the Schools as afore S^{d} and to See that the votes of S^{d} town were carried Into Execution in Regard to Scholing : and a Comittee of three — the town then went on and made Cheoyce of M^{r}. Abr^{m}. Bigelow Cap^{n}. John Mirick and Braddyll Smith for S^{d} Committe. then the town voted to Chuse two more to be aded to S^{d} Committe : then the town made Cheoyce of Josiah Smith and Jonathan Stratton to be aded to the Committe afore S^{d}

2 Voted to Reconsider the vote for Building another Seet in the Womans Side Galerey in the Publick meetinghous : Pased at a Publick town meeting on the 30th. of Novr. Last : then the town voted to Build a Pew or Pues all a Long the Length of the Womens Side Galerey on the back Part as would best Convean and allso voted to Degnesic the same Next to the fore Seet in the Side galerey

3 it was Put to vote to Know Whether the town would act upon the Petision of Nathan Fisk and others and it Pased In the Negetive

4 It was Put to vote to Know Whether the town would act

upon the Petision of Joseph Whitney and others and It Pased In the Negetive

WESTON Feb: 27. 1768 Then received of Braddyll Smith Treasurer for S^d^. Weston Seventy Six pounds thirteen Shillings and four pence in full for my Salary and Fire wood for the year Ending Sept: 25. 1767 ℔'SAM^L^ WOODWARD

WESTON March 3, 1769 then received of Braddyll Smith Town treasurer Seventy Six pounds, thirteen Shillings and four pence in full for my Salary & Fire wood, for the year Ending Sept: 25. 1768 ℔'SAM^L^ WOODWARD

[74.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified and wrned according to Law. in Publick Town meeting assembled on Munday the Seventh Day of March A: D: 1768 at the Publick meetinghouse in Said at ten of the Clock in the forenoon

1 To Chuse Selectmen and other Town officers for the year Ensuing that are by Law Required

2 To hear the town Treasurers accounts for the year Past and act thereon

3 To Know the Minds of the Town whether there Swine Shall go at Large the year Ensuing

4 To Know the Minds of the Town whether they will Repare their highway by a Rate the Ensuing year. and if so Grant money there for

5 To hear and act upon a List Prepared for the Jury Box

6 To Know the Minds of the Town Whether the will abate the Rates of Samuel Wyman In Constable Joseph Whittneys List being £0—16—6

7 To Know the Minds of the Town What Consideration they will make M^r^. John Walker and John Walker Junr for their opening the Town Way through their Lands

8 To Know the Minds of the Town Whether they will Except of a gate Way from the Dwelling House of Daniel Livermore In Weston. Northerly through the Lands of Said Daniel Liver-

more and the heir of Nath^{ll}. Livermore and the Land of Daniel Livermore jun^{r} to the Greate Contery Road Where it is Now tred one Rod and half in Wedeth

9 To hear the Petetion of Decon Nath^{ll} Allen and others to Know the Minds of the Town Whether the Publick School Shall be Keept for the futer in five Places in Said town and In their turns two or. 3 months in a Place as the Town Shall think best.

10 To Know the Minds of the Town Whether they Will Except of a gate way through the Land of John Lamson beginning at a Whiteoak-tree Marked Near the Corner of his orchard Wall Near his Dwellinghouse and Runs Northwesterly by Sundry marks till it Comes to a Town Way

M^{r}. Abraham Bigelow *Chosen Moderator of Said Meeing*

Selectmen	Abraham Bigelow Braddyll Smith Josiah Smith John Mirick Jon^{a}. Stratton	
Town Cle^{r}.	Josiah Smith	Sworn March the 11th.
Town Treasurer	Braddyll Smith	Sworn March the 11th.
Constabels	Moses Harrington Jonathan Underwood	Sworn March the 11th.
Assessors	Braddyll Smith Abraham Jones James Livermore	Sworn also Sworn to Jeneral Inveoyce March 11th.
Wardens	Aaron Jones Thaddues Spring	Jones Sworn March the 28th. Spring Sworn March the 11th.
Surveyers and Colecters of Highways	Elisha Jones Esqr. Edward Hastings Jonathan Spring Jonathan Stratton Jonathan Fisk	Hastings Stratton Spring and Fisk Sworn March : 11th

Tythingmen	ISAAC HOBBS LEMUEL JONES	Sworn Mach the 11th.
Hog Reaves	SAMUEL SEAVERND JUNR. ABRAHAM SANDERSON	Sworn March the 11th.
Preserver of Dear	JONAS PEIRCE JOSEPH WHITTNEY	Sworn March the 11th.
Field Drivers	INCREASE LEADBETTER SAMUEL STIMSON	Sworn March the 11th.
Fence Vewers	SAMUEL SEAVERNS JUNR. DAVID STEARNS	Sworn March the 11th.
Sealers of Leather	DECN THOS. RUSSELL JONA. SPRING.	Sworn March the 11th.
Surveyers of Shingles Bords Clabbords Hoops &c	ELISHA HARRINGTON SOLOMON JONES JUNR.	Sworn March the 11th.

JOSIAH SMITH to Take the Care of the meeting House Pound &c

2 The Town treasurers accounts Ware Read and Excepted as followeth Viz

The account of Braddyll Smith Treasurer for Weston from March 2d. 1767 to March the 7th. 1768

Recd. of Constable Samll. Train in Part	000	19	3
Recd of Constable David Stearns in Part	006	15	7
Recd of Constable Joseph Whittney in Part	004	11	4
Recd of Constable Thomas Russell in Part	137	0	9
Recd. of Constable William Lawrance in Part	063	10	3
Recd the Intrest of the Money Due to the Town on Bond for one year	005	0	8
Recd. the Ballance that Remained in My hand the Last year Past	008	7	7
	226	5	5
Pd. To Sundry Persons by orders the following Sums Viz			
Pd. To the Revd. Mr. Samuel Woodward in full for his Salorey one year Ending Septr. the 25th. 1767 and for his fier Wood Said year	76	13	4

Pd. Schoolemaster Coggens in full for Keepin the Town Schoole to the fifteenth Day of February A: D: 1768	37	0	4
Pd. Mr. Jona. Bullard in full for bording Schoolmaster Coggen 18 Weeks	5	14	0
Pd. Doctr. Ephraim Woolson in full for bording Schoolemaster Coggen	3	10	10
Pd Mr. Henry Coggen in full for Surporting Wm. Partridge to the 25 of April Last	6	15	7
Pd. Mr. Israel Whittemore for Plank for the Town Bridges at 12/ pr. Hundred	2	2	0
and for Timber for the Town Bridges . . .	0	3	0
Pd. Mr. Jona. Straton for his Repareing the Senter Scholehouse	1	1	2
Pd Mr. Benjmin Harrington for Plank for Watertown Bridge	1	11	8
Pd Mr. Jonas Harrington for Plank for Watertown bridge	3	9	0
Pd Josiah Smith for his Care of the Meetinghouse one year Ending March 1768	1	4	0
Pd. Mr. Samll. Train in full for What the Town Granted him for opening the gate Way through his Land . .	21	6	8
Pd. Mr. Abrm. Jones in full for What the Town Granted him for opening the gate way through his Land . .	4	13	4
Pd. Mr. John Hastings in full for What the Town Granted him for the Sd way accrost his Land	1	6	8
Pd My Self for bording Schoolemaster Coggen Nine Weeks at 6/ pr. Week	2	14	0
Pd. By the assignement In Constable Lawrances List .	5	16	0
Pd. Mr. Samll. Train in full for his Suporting Thos. Train In his Lifetime and for the Costs of his funeral at his Death	22	13	4
Pd. Mr. Joseph Allen for bording Schoolemaster Coggen 9 Weeks in 1766 at / pr. Week	2	14	0
Pd by the abatement of Daniel Garfield Rates In Constable Elisha Warrens List	0	7	8
Pd. for Clothing and other Nesesarys for Joseph Hagers Wife	1	8	2
Pd. Mr. Nathll. Williams in full for bording Schoolemaster Coggen 14 Weeks at 6/8 pr. Week	4	13	4
Pd. for the Suport of Joseph Hagers wifes Child at the worke house	6	8	5
Pd By the abatement of William Norcrosts Rates in Constable Samll Trains List	0	19	3
Pd. by the abatement of Mr. Benjm. Stearnes Rates in Constable Joseph Whittneys Lists	0	7	4
Pd for the Suport of Samll. Cory and wife the year Past In Part	2	19	6

Pd. Mr. Sewall for his advice Consearning Walkers Way and for Copys from Cler. Masons	0	14	2
Pd. for Plank for the Town Bridges	0	7	4
Sum Total on Both Sides Paid oute	218	—14—	1

there Remains in the Said Treasurers hands 7—11—4

March the 4th 1768 We the Subscribers being appointed by the Selectmen to Examien the foregoing accounts and have Examined the Same and find them well avoched and Right Cast

JOHN MIRICK } Selectmen
J. STRATTON } of Weston

there Remains is the Hands of Samll. Train Late Constable	5	11	11	¼
and In the Hands of David Stearns Late Constable .	11	6	5	2
and In the hands of Joseph Whittney Late Constable	4	10	10	3
and In the hands of Thos. Russell Late Constable .	89	17	7	
and In the hands of William Lawrance Late Constable	54	14	5	
and In the hands of Constable John Lamson . .	108	4	4	
and In the hands of Constable James Smith . .	088	9	0	
	362	15	7½	

Voted the Town Treasures accompts as they Stand and that the Treasurer be Discharged for that Sum

The account of the Collectors and Surveyors of High Ways for the year 1767 is as followeth Viz

there Remains in the hands of Mr. Lemuel Jones . .	9	11	3
and in the Hands of Mr. Israel Whittemore . . .	2	5	0
and in the Hands of Mr. Thadues Spring	3	12	10
in the Hands of Mr. Joseph Allen			
in the Hands of Mr. Abrm. Jones			

3 Voted that the Swine go at Large the year Ensewing if Well Regulated

4 Voted to amend their highway by a Rate the year Ensewing and Granted the Sum of Sixty Pounds for that Purpose to be Workt. out as the Last year

Then the Town Voted to adjourne the Meeting to the Next

fryday at one of the Clock in the after noon and the Meeting was adjorned to that Time

[77.] On fryday the Town Meeting the 11 Day of March by an adjornment from the 7th Day of March Instant Meet

5 Voted the List of Jurys as it Stands the first Qurter for the Supriour Box

6 Voted to abate the Rates of Samuel Wyman In Constable Joseph Whittneys List then it Was Put to Vote Whether they Would abate the Rates of Christopher Capron and it Past in the Negetive

7 Voted to Mr. John Walker and John Walker Junr. the Sum of Sixteen Pound as a full Recompence for their opening the gateway through their Lands

8 it Was Put to Vote to Know the minds of the Town Whether they Would Except of a Way from the Dwellinghouse of Mr. Daniel Livermore to the Northward acrost the Lands of Sd. Daniel Livermore and the heirs of Nathll. Livermore and Daniel Livermore Junr. and it Past in ye. Negetive

9 it Was Put to Vote to Know the Minds of the Town Whether they Will grant the Petition of Decon Nathll. Allen and others and it Past in the Negitive

10 Voted to Exept of a Gateway through Part of the Land of John Lamson as markt by the Selectmen. Viz begining at a Whiteoake tree markt. Near the Corner of his orchard. Nere his Dwellinghouse from thence Northwesterly to a black-oake tree Marked thence to a Wallnut tree marked thence to the End of a Stone Wall at the South easterly Corner of Nathan Jones Pasture thence by the Side, of Sd. Wall till it Comes to a Town Way Sd. Way to be one Rod and a half Wide, and the the marks afore Sd. are all on the Northwesterly Side of Sd Way

then the Town Voted to Reconsider their Vote Past Last monday for the Choice of Capt. Samuel Baldwin for a Wardain. and they made Choice of Capt Aaron Jones in his Stead for a Wardain

then it Was moshened and Seconded to Reconsider the Vote Conserning the Way from Daniel Livermores house to the

Contery Road and it Was Put to Vote and the Town Voted to Reconsider Said Vote

then the Town Voted to Excep^{t}. of S^{d}. Way as mentioned In the Warrant upon Conditions that the Town is Cleard from any Costs or Charge of Purchasing or fenceing any Part of Said Way Excepting three Pounds Which the Town Voted to Give to Said Daniel Livermore Junr. for Which he Promised to Purchas that Part of Said Way a Crost the Land belonging to the heirs of Nath^{ll}. Livermore Late of Weston Deceas^{d}.

[78.] At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified according to the Royall Charter to Vote in the Choice of a Representative Assembled at the Publick Meetinghouse in Said Town on Munday the 16th. Day of May A : D : 1768 at one of the Clock in the after noon the Major Part of the Electors then Present Did in the Presence of the Selectmen Elect and Depute M^{r}. Abraham Bigelow. To Serve for and Represent them in a grate and General Court or Assembely appointed to be Convend Held and Keept for his Majestys Service at the Court house in Boston on Wedensday the 25th. Day of May Instant

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duely Quallified. and Lewfully Warned in Publick Town Meeting assembelled on Munday the Sixteenth Day of May Currant at three of the Clock in the afternoon then and there

1 To Hear the Petition of the Town of Concord and Sundry other Towns To Shew Cause If any the Have Why the Prayer of Said Petition Should not be granted

Then the Petition of the Town of Concord and Sundry other Towns Was Read. and the Prayer of S^{d}. Petition Was that the Severail Courts of Justice Courts of Probate and Registry of Deeds Might be held in the Town of Concord for the future and after a full Debate upon Said Petition. it was Put to Vote to know the the Minds of the S^{d}. Town Whether they had any Resons to offer Why the Prayer of the Said Petition Should not be Granted and it Pased In the Negetive

At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duly Quallified and Legally Warned In Publick Town meeting assembled at the meeting house in Said Town on Munday the Sixth Day of November A : D 1769

1 to Grant Money for the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Woodwards Sallary for one year Begining the 25th. of Sepr. and Make provision for his firewood Said year

2 To Grant money for Schooling and other Necessary Charges in Said year

3 To Hear the Town Criditors accounts and act thereon

4 To Know the minds of the Town Whether they will agree on any other method for Keeping School then What they are Now in. and if So What

5 To Know the minds of the Town whether they will abate the Rates of Solomon Flagg in Constable Russells List for the year 1766 which is 15/5

6 To Know the minds of the Town Whether they will abate the Rates of Christopher Capron in Constable Russells List for the year 1765 & 1766 which £1—11—11 and also the Rates of the Said Capron in Constable Joseph Whittneys List for the year 1764

[NOTE. This record belongs to a later date, and was commenced on the last half of page 78 of the Town Book, by an oversight of the Town Clerk. When he turned the page, he evidently discovered his error (though he makes no mention of it), for that and several succeeding pages were already covered with the records of 1768. He then turned to page 85 and placed the record where it properly belonged.]

[79.] At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duly Quallified and Legally Warned In Publick Town Meeting Assembled at the Meeting-house in Said Town on Thursday the twenty fourth Day of November A : D : 1768 at one of the Clock in the after-noon then and there

1 To Grant to the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Samuel Woodwards Salery for one year Begining Sep^{t}. the 25th. A : D : 1768 and also make Provision for his fire wood s^{d} year

2 To Grant Money for Schooling and other Necessary Charges arising in s^{d} Town

3 To hear the Town Creditors accounts and act thereon

4 To Know the Minds of the Town Whether they Will Agree on any other Method for Keeping School then What they are Now and if So What

5 To know the Minds of the Town Whether they Will take the Pews and the Pew Ground Belonging to Said Town In the Publick Meetinghouse or any Part thereof into their Possession and Dispose of them as they think Proper

6 You are alike Required to notify the Inhabitants that they bring In their Credit if any they have to the Selectmen at the House of Josiah Smith Innholder In Said Town on Wedensday the 23d. Day of Said month at four of the Clock in the after-noon. and Make Due Return of this Warrant therein Dated at Weston the Sevententh Day of Novr. A : D 1768

Mr. Abraham Bigelow *Chosen Moderator of Said Meeting*

1 Granted to the Revd. Mr. Samuel Woodward the Sum of £66—13s—4 for his Salerey one year begining Sept. the 25th. 1768. and also ten Pounds to Enable him to Provide his firewood Sd year

2 Granted the Sum of one Hundred Pounds to Suport Schooling and other Necesery Charges arising in Said Town

3 Granted the Town Criditors accounts as followeth Viz

to Lieu John Warren for 10 Days & 1/2 Making Rates in the year 1767 at 2/ pr. Day	£1	1	0
To Lieu Abrm. Jones for 12 Days making Rates and taking Invoice in 1767	1	4	0
To James Smith Const. for Salery 10/ for Warning 4 Town Meetings 8/	0	18	0
To John Lamson Const. for Salery 10/ for Warning 4 Town Meetings 8/	0	18	0
To Mr. James Livermore for Preamblating the Town Line With Sudbury one Day 2/	0	2	0
To Mr. Nathan Hobbs for Preambleating the Town Line With Waltham one Day 2/	0	2	0
To Capt. Braddyll Smith for Drawing Lists Wrighting Warrants and making Rates in the year 1767. 21. 1/2 Days 43/ for Paper for the Rates 3/8 and for Preambleating the Town Line With Waltham and Lincoln 2 Days 4/	2	10	8
	6	15	8

4 The Town Voted to Keep four Schools over and above the Grammar Schoole for two Months in the Winter Season and to begin aboute the Middle of January next and also Voted to have five Womens Schools Kept three Months the Next Summer Season and to Begin aboute the Middle of May Next

5 it Was Put to Vote to Know the Minds of the Town Whether they Would the Pews and the Pew ground in the Publick Meetinghouse that belonged to Said Town into their hands and Dispose of them and it Pased in afarmetive first it Was Put to Vote to Know the Mind of the Town Whether they Will Take the Pew that James Stimson Latley Improv^{d}. and it Passed in the afairmetive

Then the Town Voted to Take the Pew that Nath^{ll}. Williams Lately Improved

[80.] Then the Town Voted to Take the Pew that Col Goldthwaite has Lately Set in Then the Town Voted to Take the Pew that M^{r}. Abraham Bigelow Has Lately Set in Then it Was moshened and Seconeded to Reconsider the Two Last Votes that is to Say Bigelows and Goldthwaites Pews and it Pased in the afarmetive

Then the Town Voted to Chuse a Commity to Dispose of the two Pews first mentioned Viz Stimsons and Williams and to be Disposed of by the Same Rule and in the Same Manner that the Last Pews Ware to be Disposed of in Weston Meeting house

Then the Town Made Choyce of Mr Jonathan Bullard Capt John Mirick and Lieu Abr^{m}. Jones a Commety to Dispose of them by the Same Rule before Mentioned.

At Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duly Quallified and Legally Warned In Publick Town Meeting assembled at the meeting house in Said Town on Munday the Sixth Day of March A : D. 1769 at ten of the Clock before noon then and there

1 To Chose Selectmen and other Town officers for the Year Ensewing as the Law Diricts

2 To hear the Town Treasuriours accounts for the year Past & act thereon

3 To Know the Minds of the Town Whether their Swine Shall Go at Large the year Ensewing.

4 To Know the minds of the Town Whether they Will Repare their High Ways by a Rate the year Ensewing and Grant money therefor

5 To Hear and act upon a List Prepared for the Jury Box

6 To Know the Minds of the Town Whether they Will abate the Rates of Elisha Flagg for his Poll in Constable Russells Lists Which is Fifteen Shillings and five pence

7 To Know the Town mind Whether they Will Except of an alteration of Town Way through the Land of Mr. John Kimball from the Northeast Corner of David Stearns Land Northerly to the Town Way and Shift it from Where it Was formarly Laid. and Except of it ajjoining to the Land of Jonathan Spring and to be two Rods in Width : Which is Requsted by the Said Kimball and the Said Stearns

8 To Know the minds of the Town Whether they Will abate ten Shillings and nine pence that Remains unpaid In Constable Russells List of Josiah Willingtons Rates

9 To Know the Minds of the Town Whether they will abate Josiah Willingtons Rates In Constable William Lawrance Lists which is £1—0—1

10 To Hear the Report of the Commitie appointed to Dispose of the Pews and Seeting the Meeting house and act thereon

[81.] 11 To Know the Minds of the Town Whether they will Build one Schoole house or mores in Said Town : and also to Know Whether the Town Will take the Northwest Schoole house into their hands and Pay the Proprietrs therefor. or act any other matter or thing Relating to Building or moveing Schoole houses in Said Town and make all Nessecery Provision therefor.

Mr Abraham Bigelow *Was Chosen Moderator of Sd Meeting*

Selectmen { Abraham Bigelow, Braddyll Smith, Josiah Smith, John Mirick, Abraham Jones }

Clerk	JOSIAH SMITH	Sworn March 13th
Treasuror	JONAS HARRINGTON	Sworn March 13th.
Constabels	NATHANIEL COOLEDGE BENJAMIN PEIRCE	Sworn March 13th.
Assessors	ABRAHAM JONES ISAAC HOBBS ISAAC JONES	Sworn March 13th.
Wardans	EBENEZER PHILLIPS JAMES LIVERMORE	Sworn March 13th.
Surveyors & Colectors of High Ways	ISAAC JONES NATHLL. JENESON JAMES STIMSON JOHN FLAGG JOHN BROWN	JONES STIMSON FLAG AND BROWN Sworn March the 13th.
Tythingmen	JOHN MIRICK ISAAC JONES	Sworn March 13th.
Hog Reaves	BENJAMIN FULLER THADDUES SPRING	Sworn March 13th.
Preservour of Dear	WILLIAM WHITNEY JR NATHAN SMITH	Sworn March 13th.
Field Drivers	SAMUEL SEAVERNS JR MATHEW HOBBS	Sworn March 13th.
Fence Vewers	SAMUEL STIMSON SAMUEL TRAIN	Sworn March 13th.
Sealor of Leathers	BENJAMIN PEIRCE JONATHAN SPRING	Sworn March 13th
Surveoyors of Shingels Bords Clabbords Hoops &c.	SAMUEL BALDWIN WILLIAM MUNROE	Sworn March 13th

To Take Care of the Meetinghouse and Pound Keeper JOSIAH SMITH

1769.

[82.] Then the Town Treasurors accompts Ware Read and Excepter Which are as followeth Viz

The Accompt of Braddyll Smith Treasuror for Weston from March 7th. 1768 to March 5th. 1769

Rec^{d}. of Constable Joseph Whittney in Part . .	2	13	0	
Rec^{d} of Constable Thomas Russell in Part . . .	64	2	8	
Rec^{d} of Constable William Lawrance in Part . .	34	9	10	3/4
Rec^{d}. of Constable John Lamson in Part . . .	47	15	1	
Rec^{d} of Constable James Smith in Part . . .	24	10	11	
Rec^{d}. of the Int^{r}. Due to the Town on Bond . .	5	0	8	
Rec^{d}. the Ballance that Remained in my hand the Last Adjustment	7	11	4	
	186	3	6	3/4

Paid to Sundry Persons by order the following Sums Viz

P^{d}. To the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Saml^{l}. Woodward in full for his Sallary one year Endin Sep^{t}. 25th. 1768 and for his firewood Said year	76	13	4
P^{d}. Joseph Russell for Keeping Schoole two months in 1768	4	16	0
P^{d} Josiah Star for Keeping the Schoole two months in 1768	4	16	0
P^{d} In full for Suporting Jonas Hagers wifes Child to the fifth of Sep^{t}. Last	4	12	8
P^{d} My Self for taking the Jeneral Invoice and Prepareing Lists 16.1/2 Days	3	6	0
P^{d}. to Isaac Cory for What he Suported Sarah Jeneson and Doctering	1	13	2
P^{d} Josiah Smith for timber for Watertown bridge the Last Repare	5	5	4
P^{d} By the abatement of Samuel Wymans Rates In Constable Whittneys Lists	0	16	6
P^{d} Joseph Fuller for His Doctering and Suporting Sarah Jeneson	3	10	0
P^{d} Doct^{r} Josiah Star for Bording and Doctering Sarah Jeneson 15 Weks 1/2	4	18	4
P^{d} Scholemaster Coggen for Keeping Town Schoole .	2	10	0
P^{d} M^{r}. Abr^{m}. Bigelow for What he Suported Samuel Cory and Wife in A: D: 1767	2	15	0
P^{d} Josiah Smith for What he Provided for Cory and Wife in the year 1767	1	19	11
P^{d} Capt. Mirick for What he Provided for Benj^{a}. Stimson in the year 1767	2	0	11
P^{d}. the assignement in Constable Russells Lists . .	1	18	0
P^{d} Capt. Mirick for What he P^{d}. to Southgate for Keeping Schoole in the Senter	1	6	0
P^{d} Lieu Jon^{a}. Straton In full for his Labiour at Watertown Bridge	1	19	0
P^{d} Jonas Harrington for Plank for Watertown Bridge	2	19	0
P^{d} Nathan Parkhurst for takeing Lucy a Poor Child belonging to S^{d} Town	12	0	0

Pd for Necessarys for Simeon Hagers Famally When he Was Confined	0	6	6
Pd Jonathan Stratton for two Stringpeces for the Bridge nere John Binney	0	4	0
Pd Jonathan Stratton in full for bording Schoolemaster Cogen	0	12	0
Pd Sd Treasuror for making one Hundred and forty four Rods of Stone Wall on the Side of the New Road in his Land Which the Town Was to make at 3/4 pr. Rod	24	0	0
Pd Lieu John Warren for two Days Copeying the Ratebill for the Jenerail Court	0	8	0
Pd Mr. Joseph Roberts in Part for his Keeping Schoole in the year 1768	1	12	1
Pd James Stimson In Part for his Suporting Benjamin Stimson	1	3	0
Pd for the Suporting of Samuel Cory and Wife the year Past	5	18	6
Pd for Shoes and other Nessceryes for Sarah Jeneson	0	15	4
Pd Jonathan Fiske for four Stringpeces for the bridge Nere Whittemore	0	10	8
Pd for Glazing the Senter Schoolhouse	0	3	6
Pd Capt. Baldwin in full for Keeping Schoole	3	11	3
[83.] Pd. Josiah Smith for his Care of the Meeting-house on year Ending March 1769	1	4	0
Pd By the abatement of Joseph Hagers Rates in Constable Russells List	0	16	0
the other Side and this	181	00	0

Theres Remains In Said Treasurors Hand 5—3—6—¾

March the 4th. 1769 We the Subscribers Being Appointed by the Selectmen to Examin the Treasurors accompts for the Past have Examined the Same, and find them Well Vouched and Right Cast.

A: Bigelow } Selectmen
Jonathan Stratton } of Weston

Theres Remains in the Hands of Samuel Train Late Constable	5	11	11	¼
and In the Hands of David Stearns Late Constable	11	6	5	¾
and In the Hands of Joseph Whittney Late Constable	1	17	10	3
and In the Hands of Thomas Russell Late Constable	25	14	10	
and In the Hands of William Lawrance Late Constable	20	4	6	¾
and In the Hands of John Lamson Late Constable	60	9	3	
and In the Hands of James Smith Late Constable	63	18	1	
and In the Hands of Moses Harrington Late Constable	89	1	0	
and In the Hands of Jonathan Underwood Late Constable	87	12	4	
	365	16	4	

By an adjornment of S^{d} meeting from March 6th. to March 13th. 1769. then Meet

3^{d} Voted by Said Town at Said Meeting that their Swine Shall go at Large Within Said Town the Year Ensewing

4^{ly}. Voted to Repare and amend their High Ways and Town Ways by a Rate the Year Ensewing and Granted Seventy Pounds to be Work^{t}. out by the Same Rule the Last years Work Was Done

5 Voted that the List Prepared by the Selectmen for the jury Box, be accepted. and that the first twenty names in Said List be Put Into the Superiour box. the others into the Inferiour Box

6 Voted to abate the Rates of Elisha Flagg for his Pole in Constable Russells Lists Which is 15 Shillings and five pence

7 Voted to accept of an alteration of Way through the Land of John Kimbell as Set forth in the Warrant the Town not to be at any Costs or Charges of Purchasing or fenceing any Part of Said Way

[84.] 8 Voted by the Inhabitants afore Said to abate 10/9 of Joseph Willingtons Rates in Constable Russells List

9 Voted by Said Inhabitands to abate £1—0—4 of Joseph Willingtons Rates in Constable Lawrance List

10 Then the Report of a Commity appointed by S^{d} town to Dispose of two Pews was Read and it Was Put to Vote of Know the minds of the Town if they would Excep^{t}. of Said Report and it Passed in the Negetive Then it Was Put to Vote to Know the Minds of the Town if they Would Excep^{t}. of the Report of the Commity appointed by S^{d} Town to Seat the meeting house and that also Passed in the Negetive

11 Then it Was Put to Vote to Know the Minds of the Town if they Would act on the article of Schooling and it Passed in the affermitive and the Town Proceeded to Chose. Col : Jones Messrs. Abr^{m}. Bigelow James Livermore Jon^{a}. Stratton Capt. Braddyll Smith John Warren Abr^{m}. Jones Jon^{a}. Bullard Sam^{ll}. Seaverns

A Com^{te}. To hear the Inhabitants in the Severail Parts of the Town Respcting the Schools. and to Consider how many Schools may be most Beneficial to the Town and in What

Places and the Proportion of Time to each Place and Whether it Will be Necessary for the Town to Build any more School-houses or to Remove any of the old ones or both. and to Report their Opinion to the Town at their next meeting

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified according to the Royall Charter to Vote in the Choice of a Representitive assembled at the Publick meeting house in Said Town on Munday the twenty ninth Day of May A : D 1769 at one of the Clock in the afternoon the Major Part of the Electors then Present Legally Warned Did in the Presence of the Selectmen Elect and Depute Mr. Abraham Bigelow to Serve for and Represent them in a Greate and General Court or assembely appointed to be Convened Held and Keept for his Majestys Service at the Court House in Boston on Wednsday the 25th. Day of May Instant

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duly Quallified and Legally Warned In Publick Town Meeting assembled at the Meetinghouse in Said Town on Munday the twenty ninth Day of May AD 1769 at three of the Clock in the after noon

1 To Hear the Report of the Commity appointed Last March to Consider What Method Will be Most for the Benefit of this Town to Come into for Schooling and act thereon. or act any other Matter or Thing Relateive to Schooling as they Think Proper

2 To Chose a Surveyor and Colector of High Ways in the Room of Nathll Jeneson

Mr. Abraham Bigelow *Was Chosen Moderator of Said Meeting*

[85.] 1 it Was Put to Vote to Know the Minds of the Town if they would give Liberty to the South to Have Two Schoolehouses at their owne Cost and Charge on the Same Conditions that the North Division have Builded theirs. and it Passt. in the affarmetive and the Town Proceeded to Chose a Commity to Profix Places Places for Said Scholehouse &c Viz Capt. John Mirick Lieu Jona. Stratton and Lieu John Warren

2 Benjamin Jones Suvayor and Colect^{r} in the Room of Nath Jeneson

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duly Quallified and Legally Warned In Publick Town Meeting assembled at the Meetinghouse in Said Town on Munday the Sixt Day of Novr. AD : 1769.

1 First To Grant Money for the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Woodwards Sallary for one year begining the 25th. of Sep^{t}. Last and Make Provision for his fire wood Said year

2 To Grant Money for Schooling and Necessary Charges arising in S^{d}. Town.

3 To Hear the Town Criditors accompts. and act thereon

4 To Know the minds of the Town Whether they Will agree on any other Method for Keeping Schools then What they are now in. and if So What

5 To Know the Minds of the Town Whether they Will abate the Rates of Solomon Flagg in Constable Russells List for the year 1766 Which is 15/5

6 To Know the Minds of the Town Whether they Will abate the Rates of Christopher Capron in Constable Russells Lists for the years 1765 & 1766 Which is £1—11—7 and also the Rates of Said Capron in Constable Joseph Whittneys List for the year 1764

MR Abraham Bigelow *Was Chosen Moderator of Said Meeting*

1 Granted to the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Woodward £66—13—4 for one years Sallary Begining Sep^{t}. 25th. 1769

2 Granted to the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Woodward £12—0—0 for his firewood one year Begining 25th. Sep^{t}. 1769

3 Granted one Hundred Pounds for Schooling and other Necessary Charge in Said Town for one year

4 Voted by the Inhabitants afore Said to make addition to the Grammar Schoole

5 Voted to Keep four Wrighting Schools on the Same Conditions they Was Keept the Last year the South Side to find Houses to Keep their Schools in

6 The Town Criditors accounts Ware Read and Excepted as followeth

To Mr. James Livermore for makeing Rates in ye. year 1768 five Days & 1/2 at 2/ pr. Day		11	0
To Constable Jona. Underwood for Warning four Town Meetings 8/ for Sallary 10 / for Carring the Votes to Charelstown for a County Treas - - r 5/ . . .	1	3	0
To Constable Moses Harrington for Warning 4 Town Meetings 8/ for Sallary 10/	0	18	0
	2	12	0

[86.] Brought up	2	12	0
To Mr. Abraham Jones for making Rates in the year 1768 and Taking the Invice 9 Days	0	18	0
To Capt. Braddyll Smith for makeing Rates in the year 1768 and Wrighting Warrants & Drawing Lists 15 Day	1	10	0
for Paper to Make the Rates on 3/4	0	3	4
To James Mirick for arming and Botteming a Greate Chare	0	2	0
To John Mirick for Prambleating the Town Line . .	0	2	0
Sum Total.	5	7	4

7 Voted to abate the Rates of Solomon Flagg in Constable Russells List for the year 1766 Which is 15/5

8 Voted to abate the Rates of Christopher Capron in Constable Russells Lists for the year 1765 & 1766 Which is £1—11—7 and also the Rates of Said Capron in Constable Joseph Whittneys List for the year 1764

Weston March 2 1770 Then received of Jonas Harrington Town Treasurer Seventy Six pounds, thirteen Shillings and four pence, in full for my Salary and fire wood for the year ending September 25. 1769 ℔ Samℓ Woodward

At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston (Legally Warned) on the 14th. December A : D 1769 to Consider and act on the petition of John Allen and others to Know the Minds of the Town Whether they Will abate the Rates of Henery Gale in the Late Constable Thos. Russells Lists for the year 1765 and 1766 for the Sum of Six Pounds fifteen Shillings Lawful Money for Which he is

now Confined in his Majestys Goal in Cambridge at Which Meeting Mr Abraham Bigelow was Chosen Moderator

Voted that the Prayer of Said Petition be granted and the Said Rates be abated

1770.

[87.] At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston duly Quallified and Lawfuly warned in publick Town meeting assembled on Mondy the fifth of March 1770 at Nine of the Clock in the fore noon at the publick meeting house in Said Town then and their

1 To Chuse Selectmen and other Town officers for the year Ensewing that are by Law Required

2 To Hear the town Treasurers account for the year past and act their on

3 To Know the mind of the Town Whether their Swine Shall go at Large ye year Ensewing

4 To Know the mind of the Town whether they will Repair their high ways by a Rate the Year Ensewing and grant money therefor

5 To Hear and act upon a List Prepared for the Jury Box

6 To Know the mind of the Town Whether they Will abate the Rates of Theo^{s} Mansfield in Constable Lawrances List which is £1—7—11

7 To Know the mind of the Town Whether they Will abate 6/9^{d} of Joseph Stedmans Rate which he was over Rated in Constable Harringtons List

8 To Know the mind of the town Whether they will abate the Rates of Peter Ayers in Constable Russels List in the year 1765 which is 16/2

9 To Hear the Pitition of Abr^{m}. Gale and others to Know the mind of the Town if they Will abate to Sam^{u} Train a Late Constable for Weston what he is in the arreas of his Callections or any part thereof which is £5—11—11—1

10 To Know the mind of the Town if they will have five Womens Schools keept in the Summer Season on the Same terms they ware Keept the Last year

11 To Hear the Pitition of James Mirick and others Relating to Singing To Know the minds of the Town if they will

assigne or allow any Seat or Seats in the meeting house and Whare for a few Singers to Seet together

12 To Hear the Pitition of John Walker and others to know the mind of the Town Whether they will grant to Benj^{m}. Peirce and Sam^{ll} Lamson the Pew that Nathaniel Williams Latley Set in upon the Same Conditions the Last New Pews Ware Disposed of with their Paying to the Town the first Cost of Bulding

13 To Hear the request of Deacon Abijah Upham and others To Know the minde of the Town if they will Grant to the Said Dec^{n} upham or any other Person Either of the two Pews which the town have Lately taken into their hands Viz the Pew that James Stimson Lately Set in or the Pew Nath^{ll} Williams Lately Set in or Act any other thing or matter the town Shall Se fit Relating to the above Said Pews

14 To Hear the Petition of Jonathan Stratton and others To know the minde of the Town Whether they Will take the Pews or any Part thereof that Belongs to the town into their Hands and Dispose of them as they think Proper also to Know the minde of the Town whether they will Build or give Liberty for Building Pews in the two hind Seats of the Mens and Womens Seats or at the East End of the Womens and West End of the Mens Seats and Dispose of them as they think proper

[88.] MR Abraham Bigelow *was Chosen Moderator for Said Meeting*

Selectmen	Abraham Bigelow John Mirick Braddyll Smith Abraham Jones Jonas Harrington 2^{D}	
Town Clerk	Sam^{LL} Baldwin	Sworn March 5
Town Treasurer	Jonas Harrington 2^{D}	Sworn March 5
Constables	Abraham Jones James Livermore Sworn March 5	and Sam^{LL} Train was accepted for Abr^{M}. Jones and Sworn March 5

Assessors	JOHN LAMSON SAM^{LL} BALDWIN BRADDYLL SMITH	Sworn March 5
Wardans	BENJ^{M}. PEIRCE SAM^{LL} SEAVERNS JU^{R}	Sworn March 5
Surveyors and Collectors of High Ways	ISAAC MIRICK	for the center Destricct Sworn March 5
	ABIJAH FELTCH	for the South West Destrect Sworn March 5
	PHINIHAS UPHAM	for the South East Destrecct Sworn March 5
	JOSIAH BIGELOW	for the North West Destrect Sworn March 5
	JOHN WARREN	for the North East Destrect
Tything men	NATHANIEL FELTCH SAM^{LL} TRAIN	Sworn March 12 Sworn March 5
Hoggreaves	NATHANIEL COOLEDGE NATHAN SMITH	Sworn March 5
Preservers of Dear	DANIEL LIVERMORE JU^{R} JAMES STIMSON	Sworn March 5
Field Drivers	LEMUEL JONES JONATHAN UNDERWOOD	Sworn March 5
Fence Vewers	URIAH GRIGORY JONAS PEIRCE	Sworn March 5
Sealers of Leather	THO^{S} RUSSELL BENJ^{M}. PEIRCE	Sworn March 5
Survayers of Shingles Bords Clabords Hops &c	SAM^{LL} BALDWIN	Sworn March 5
	BENJ^{M}. POLLORD	Sworn March 15.

To take Care of the meeting house & Pound Keeper &c JOSIAH SMITH

Grave Diger JONAS HARRINGTON 2^{d}

[89.] 2^{d} Then the Treasurers accounts Ware Read and accepted which are as Follows

the accounts of Jonas Harrington Treasurer for Weston from March 1769 to March 1770

Rec^{d} of Constable Thos Russell In Part . . .	21	3	6	2
Rec^{d} of Constable W^{m}. Lawrance In Part . . .	18	4	4	—
Rec^{d} of Constable John Lamson in part . . .	39	9	3	—
Rec^{d} of Constable James Smith in part . . .	20	14	10	—
Rec^{d} of Constable Moses Harrington In Part . .	48	19	5	1
Rec^{d} of Constable Jonathan Underwood In Part . .	46	10	11	3
Rec^{d} of the hand of Braddyll Smith the Ballance Due to Weston from Watertown on the adjustment of the Caust of the Repair of the great Bridge in Watertown	8	9	3	—
Rec^{d} for Intrest of money Due to the town on Bond .	5	—	10	—
Rec^{d} of Braddyll Smith Late treasurer the Ballance that Remind in his Hands	5	3	6	2
	213	16	0	0

Paid To Sundry Persons by orders the following Sums Viz

Paid the Rev mr Sam^{ll} Woodward in full for his Sallary for one year Ending Sept th 25: 1769 and for his fire wood Said year	76	13	4	—
Paid Mr Joseph Roberts for Keeping School to april 1769	7	19	11	—
Paid Mr Sam^{ll} Woodward of Newton for Keeping School Two months	4	16	—	—
Paid Joel Smith for Keeping School two months in the year 1769	4	16	—	—
Paid Henry Coggen for Keeping W^{m}. Partridge one year Ending 5 of April Last	4	—	—	—
Paid Moses Brown Late Schoolmaster in full for Keeping the Town School	18	0	—	—
Paid W^{m}. Lawrance in full for Keeping and Cloathing the Widow Partridge to the first of oct^{r} 1769 . .	9	7	4	—
Paid John Rrown Survayer of high ways for timber for the Bridge by mr Hobbs		12	—	—
Paid W^{m}. Whitney for Bording School Master Brown Nine Weaks	2	14	—	—
Paid Josiah Smith for 58 Rods of Wall by the New Way through his Land	9	6	6	—
Paid Capt John Mirick for timber for Watertown Bridge 33/6 and for Repairing the South School house 3/8$\frac{3}{4}$ and for Repairs for the center School house 3/4 and for Providing and Bording a School Dame three months the Last Summer 72/ . . .	5	12	6	3
Paid Sam^{ll} Child for Providing and Bording a School Dame three months Last Summer	3	12	—	

Paid Abr^{m}. Jones for Providing and Bording a School Dame three months Last Summer	3	12	—	
Paid Daniel Livermore ju^{r} for what the town granted him for the Gate Way through his Land and the Land Belonging to the Heirs of Nathl^{l} Livermore	3	0		0
Paid John Walker and John Walker ju^{r} what the town granted them for the New Road through their Land	16	0	0	
Paid By Assignments in Constable Moses Harringtons List	2	2	—	
Paid By Assignment in Constable Jonathan underwoods List	4	13	8	
Paid By the abatement of Henry Gales Rates in Constable Russells List	6	15	—	
Paid By abatement of Elisha Flaggs Rates in Constable Russell List	0	15	5	
Paid By abatement of Josiah Willington Rates in Constable Russell List	0	10	9	
Paid By abatement of Solomon Flaggs Rates in Constable Russell List	0	15	5	
Paid By abatement of Christiphor Caprons Rates in Constable Russell List	1	11	7	
Paid James Livermore for taking the general Invoice .	1	12	—	
Paid Joseph Allen in full for Bording School master Coggen	4	4	—	
Paid Abr^{m}. Jones for taking the general Invoice & making Rates in the year 1766	2	10	—	
Paid My Self for Watertown Bridge for Plank . .	3	15	7	
Paid James Stimson in part for the Suport of Benj^{m} Stimson	1	15	5	
Paid for the Surport of Saml^{l} Cory & Wife the year past in part	6	0	0	
Paid Capt Braddyll Smith for Planks and timber for the town Bridge		14	—	
Paid the Revd Sam^{ll} Woodward for Bording School master Brown	4	6	8	
	212	3	1	3
[90.] There Remains in the Hands of Saml^{l} Train Late Constable	5	11	11	1
In the Hands of David Stearns Late Constable . .	11	6	5	2
and in the hands of Joseph Whitney Late Constable .	1	17	10	3
& in the hands of tho^{s} Russel Late Constable . .	4	11	4	2
and in the hands of John Lamson Late Constable .	21	0	0	—
and in the hands of Wm Lawrance Late Constable .	2	0	2	2
and in the hands of James Smith Late Constable .	43	3	3	—
and in the hands of Moses Harrington Late Constable	40	1	6	3

and in the Hands of Jonath^{n} Underwood Late Constable	41	1	4	1
and in the hands of Nath^{ll} Cooledge Present Constable	94	12	8	2
and in the hands of Benj^{m}. Peirce Present Constable	84	0	7	2
	349	7	4	2

There Remains in Said Treasurers hand on the adjustment £1 = 12: 10 = 3

JONAS HARRINGTON Town Treasurer

March 3 : 1770 we the Subscribers being appointed by the Selectmen to Examin the the treasurers accounts for the Year Past and have Exmined the Same and find them well Vouched and Right Cast : per BRADDYLL SMITH & JOHN MIRICK Selectmen

3^{d} Voted their Swine go at Large the year Ensewing

4 Voted to amend their Highways the year Ensewing by a Rate and Granted Eighty Pounds to be Worked out by the Common Rule as Last year

5 voted to Except of the list of Juriors as it Stands

6 Put to vote to know the mind of the town whether they will abate the Rates of The^{o} Mansfield in Constable Lawrance List and it Passed in the Negetive

7 to know the mind of the town if they will abate to Joseph Stedman 6/9 in Constable Harrington List and it passed in the Negetive

8 to Know the mind of the town whether they will abate the Rates of Peter Ayers in Constables Russels List and it Passed in the Negetive

9 Put to vote to know the minds of the town whether they would abate to Sam^{ll} Train What he is in arrears in his Collections and it Passed in the Negetive

10 to know the mind of the town whether they will have five wemen Schools in the Summer and it Passed in the Negetive

11 Put to vote to know the minds of the town whether they grant the Petition of James Mirick and others and it Passed in the Negetive

12 Put to vote to know the minde of the town whether they would grant the Petition of John Walker and others and it Passed in the Negetive

13 Put to vote to know the Minde of the town whether

they would grant the Requist of Dea^{n} Upham and others and it passed in the Negetive

14 Put to vote to know the mind of the town Whether they would grant the Petition of Jonath^{n} Stratton and others & it passed in the Negetive

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At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duly Quallified according to the Royal Charter to Vote in the Choice of a Representative Legalley Warned in Publick town meeting assembled at the meeting house in Weston on Monday the Twenty first Day of may AD 1770 at one oClock after noon The Major Part of the Electors then Present Did in the Presence of the Selectmen then and their Elecct and Depute Mr Abraham Bigelow to Serve for and Represent them in the Great and General Court or Assembly Next Ensewing appointed to be Convened held and Kecpt for his Majestys Service at Harvard Colledge in Cambridge upon Wednesday the Thirtieth Day of May Currant

[91.] At ameeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the town of Weston Duly Qualified and Legally Warned in Publick Town meeting assembled at the Meetinghouse in Said town on Monday the Twenty first Day of May AD 1770 at three oClock afternoon then and their

To hear the Petition of m^{r} Jeremiah Whittemore and others to know the minde of the town if they will Sell two Pews in Weston meeting house to Such of the Inhabitants as Shall appear to Give most for the Same. viz : that which Mr Williams Formerly Set in and that which m^{r} James Stimson Formerly Set inn and if So to Make all Necessary Provision to accomplish the Same

MR Abraham Bigelow *was Chosen Moderator for Said Meeting*

1 Voted to Grant the Prayer of the Petition

2^{ly} Voted to Chuse a Vandve Master to Sell the afore Said two Pews

3ly Voted that Mr Josiah Smith be their Vandve Master to Sell Said Pews to Such of the Inhabitants as Shall Give the Most for them

4ly Voted to Sell Said Pews in this Present meeting with the Ground they Stand on and the Vandve Master to Give Deeds in Behalf of the town to the Purchers his or their Heirs and assigns So long as the House Stands and that he take good Security of Purchersers for the towns Use given to the Town Treasurer and His Successor in Said office to be Paid in one year with Interest for the Same for the Sume they Shall be Sold for

5ly Voted that the Purchessor of the Pew that was Stimsons Shall Pay Two Pounds Down and the Vandue Master Shall Pay out of that Sume the first Cost of Building that Pew to the Administrator of Said Stimson Decesed and what is Left of the two Pounds (if any be) to be paid to the Treasurer of Said town — for the towns Use and not Less than Ten Shillings Rising to be a Bid

1 Pew the first Pew Set up Was that Mr Williams formerly Set in a the East End of the Meeting house Next the Door and it Was Struck of to Samuel Train junr he being the Highest Bider for the Sume of £22—0—0—0 By the Vandve master

2 Pew the Seccond Pew Set up Was that Mr Stimson Lately Set in at the East End of the Wemens Sets and the Highest Bider Was Mr John Flagg and it was Struck of to him for the Sume of 13 : 0 : 0 : 0 By the Vandve Master

At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the town of Weston Duly Quallified by Law to Vote in town affairs assembled at the Publick meeting House in Said town on monday th third Day of December A D 1770 at one oClock afternoon

1 To Grant the Revd mr Samuel Woodwards Sallary for one year Begining Sept 25 AD 1770 and also to make Provision for his Fire wood for Said year

2 to hear the town Creditors acct and act thereon

3 to Grant money to Support Schooling and Defray the Usual Charges of the town

4 to know the minde of the town if they will make any further Provision for Schooling then the Grammer School and if So how much and what Meathod & manner for the year Insewing

5 to know the minde of the town if they Will abate Nathan Jones what Remains unpaid of James Roberts Rates in Constable Russells Lists which is about Sixteen Shillings & 5d

[92.] 6 To Know the minde of the town if they will abate the Rats of Volintine Sullevan which is £0 : 13 : 8 : 0 in Constable Lamsons List and also the Rats of Abijah Stimson in the Same List which is £0 : 13 : 8 : 0

7 To know the minde of the town if they Will abate the Rats of Ezeakil Cox in Constable Peirce List which is £0 : 12 : 2 : 0

8 To know the minde of the town if they Will abate the Rats of Semeon Hager in Constable Lawrance List Which is £0 : 15 : 5 : 0

Mr Abraham Bigelow *was Chosen Moderator for the Meeting*

1 Voted to the Revd mr Samll Woodward Sixty Six Pounds thirteen Shillings & four pence for his Sallary one year Begining Sept 25 AD 1770 and also granted att the Same time Twelve Pounds to Enable him to Provide his fire wood for one year

2 Voted to accept of the town Creditors acounts which is a Followeth Viz

to mr Abrm. Jones to taking Invoice and making Raits in the year 1769 12 Days a 2s/ pr Day . . .	1	4	0
to Isaac Hobbs to taking Invioce & making Rats in the year 1769 12 days a 2s/ pr day	1	4	—
to Isaac Jones to making Rats the Same year 7 Days 2s/ pr Day 14s/ & for Paper for Rats 3/ . . .		17	—
to Capt John Mirick for Hooks & Eys and 2 Staples and one hasp for the Pound		2	4 3
for fixing Drills for Center Destrict 8d/ and South East Destrict & my Drills also 1s/		1	8
to Benjm. Peirce to warning 4 town meetings a 2s/ Each 8/		8	—
to Warning one town meeting Both Sides of the town 4s/		4	—
to Sallary for Serveing Constable 10s/		10	—

to Carying the Votes for a County Treasurer to Charlestown last march 5s/	5			
to Nathaniel Cooledge to Warning 4 town meetings 8s/	8			
to Sallary for Serveing Constable 10s/	10			
	5	14	0	3

3 Granted Fifty Pounds to Support Schooling and Necesery Charges arising in Said town

4 the town Voted to make Provision for Schooling and Voted to have 5 Reeding and Wrighting Schools Besides the Grammer two months Each and to Begin the Beginning of Janury next

5 Voted by Said Town that they abate Nathn Jones £0 : 16 : 5 : 0 for what is unpaid of James Roberts Rats in Constable Russell List and it Passed in the affairmetive and accordingly they are abated

6 Voted to abate Vollintine Sullivan Rats which is £0 13 : 8 : in Constable Lamson List and also abated Abijah Stimson Rats which is £0 : 13 : 8 in the Same List

7 Voted to abate the Rats of Ezeakel Cox in Constable Peirce List which is £0 : 12 : 2 : 0

8 Voted to abate the Rats of Semeon Hager in Constable Lawrance List which is fifteen Shillinges and five pence

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1771.

Weston March 1. 1771 Then recd of mr Jonas Harrington Town-Treasurer Seventy Eight Pounds, Thirteen Shillings and four Pence in full for my Salary and fire-wood for the year ending September, 25. 1770 ℔ Saml Woodward

Weston Feb: 27. 1772 Then received of Braddyll Smith Town Treasurer Seventy Eight pounds, thirteen Shillings and four pence in full for my Salary and fire wood for the year ending September 25. 1771. ℔ Samuel Woodward

[Note. On page 374 of the Town Book, in the hand writing of Samuel Baldwin, is the following entry: —

"Janr 1771 Whareas the Severeal Persons Hereafter Named Came

into the Town of Weston and have taken up their Residence here Dureing the Continuance of a Late Temporay act made & Passed in the Seventh year of his present Majestys in addition to Several Laws already made Relaiting to the Removell of Poor Persons out of the Towns whereof they are not Inhabitants which Persons Have not made their application to the Selectmen nor Have had the approbation of the Town at a Generall Town meeting for their Dwelling Here and were Warned and Cautioned against Jan^{r} 1771 — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

Viz. Nathaniel Parkhurst & Eunce his wife & Martha there Daug^{r} from Waltham Jacob Bull & Rebecca his Wife & children Viz Reuben Thomas John Mary Jacob & Elizabeth from Cambridge Susanna Gage wid^{o} & Susannah Gage her Daug^{r} from Lincoln William Graves & Mary his wife & there children viz Sarah William and Mary from Needham Jonathan Peirce from Lexington Lucy Jones from Worcester Penieul Clerk from Newton: Jedediah White and Betty his Wife and there Children viz Deadamia Jedediah Reuben Grace Andrew & Betty Willington her Daug^{r} from Watertown Reuben Shed from Billerica Lois Parkhurst from Waltham Sam^{ll} Nutting from Waltham Lydia Nutting from Marlbrough Jeremiah Goodhew & Elizabeth Goodhew his wife and there Children viz Abigail Elizabeth Lucy Jeremiah from John Gould Thos Williams from Abigail Hinds, from Newton Martha Willard from Newton]

[93.] At ameeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duly Quallified and Lawfuly warned in Publick Town meeting assembled on Monday the fourth Day of March AD 1771 at Eleaven oClock in the fore noon at the Publick meeting House in Said Town Then and their

1 To Chuse Selectmen and other town officers for the year Ensewing that are by Law Required

2 To Heare the Town Treasurers accounts for the year Past and act thereon

3 To Know the Minde of the town Whether their Swine Shall go at Large the year Ensewing

4 To Know the Minde of the town whether they will Repair their High Ways by a Rate the year Ensewing and if So Grant money therefor

5 To Hear and act upon a List Prepaired for the Jurey Box

6 To Know the Minde of the Town Whether they will abate the Rats of Theo^{s} Mansfield ju^{r} in Constable James Smith List which is £1=2=3=0 and also the Rats of Josiah Willington in the Same List which is £0 : 17 : 9 : 3

Then the Town Procceeded to Bring in their Vote for a moderator and upon Examining the Same it appeared that MR Abraham Bigelow Was Chosen Moderator of Said meeting

Selectmen	Abraham Bigelow Braddyll Smith Josiah Smith John Lamson Joseph Whitney	
Town Clerk	Samuel Baldwin	Sworn march 7
Town Treasurer Chose	Jonas Harrington was Chosen and he Refuseed to Serve and then the town Braddyll Smith and he accepted and was Sworn march 7	
Constables	Isaac Jones was Chosen and he Refuseed Thomas Rand & Benj^M^. Peirce was accepted in Said Rands Place & Sworn march 7 Lemuel Jones was Chosen & Refuseed to Serve and Paid Five Pounds Fine	
Assessors	Braddyll Smith Sam^LL^ Baldwin John Lamson	March 7 Sworn
Wardens	Samuel Fisk Isaac Hobbs	Sworn march 7
Surveyers and Collecters of Highways	Josiah Smith Samuel Train ju^R^ Abijah Stedman Jonathan Stratton ju^R^ W^M^. Whitney	Sworn march 7
Tything men	Hezekiah Wyman Israel Whittemore	Sworn March 7
Hogreaves	Oliver Barber Josiah Seaverons	Sworn march 7
Preservers of Deer	Mathew Hobbs Nathan Hobbs	Sworn March 7

[94.] Field Drivers	JONATHAN STRATTON JU^R SAM^LL TRAIN JU^R	Sworn March 7
Fence Vewers	BENJ^M. PEIRCE NATHAN PARKHURST	Sworn march 7
Sealers of Leather	THOS RUSSELL BENJ^M. PEIRCE	Sworn march 7
Survayers of Bords Shingles & Clabords &c	SAMUEL BALDWIN BENJ^M. POLLARD	Sworn march 7

To take Care of the meeting House and Pound Keeper JOSIAH SMITH

2 Then the Town Treasurers accounts was Read and accepted as it was Read of Viz the account of Jonas Harrington Treasurer for Weston from march 5 1770 to march 4 1771 and is as Followeth viz Recid the Ballance in my Hand Last Adjustment

	1	12	10	3
Rec^d of Constable Thomas Russell in Part . . .	3	15	2	2
Rec^d of Constable W^m. Lawrance in full . . .	2	0	2	2
Rec^d of Constable John Lamson in Part . . .	10	0	0	0
Rec^d of Constable James Smith in Part . . .	18	0	0	0
Rec^d of Constable Moses Harrington in Part . .	23	5	10	0
Rec^d of Constable Jonathan Underwood in Part . .	11	8	10	0
Rec^d of Constable Nathaniel Cooledge in Part . .	45	2	10	1
Rec^d of Constable Benj^m. Peirce in Part . . .	45	4	9	0
Rec^d of W^m. Lawrance for one of the old windows of the meeting house	0	6	0	
Rec^d of Jonathan Stratton for old Stuff of the meeting House	3	0	0	
Rec^d the Interest of the Bonds Due to the town . .	5	0	10	
Rec^d of Ebenezer Roby Esqr one Fine for the Town .	0	5	0	
Rec^d of John mirick for one old window of the meeting House		2	5	
	169	4	10	0
Paid out By orders the Following Sumes Viz				
Paid the Rev^d m^r Sam^ll Woodward in full for his Sallary one year Ending Sept 25 1770 and for his fire wood Said year twelve Pounds Ending 25 Sep^t 1770 .	78	13	4	
Paid m^r Elisha Whitney for Keeping a Reading & wrighting School 2 months in North East School	4	16	0	

Paid Joseph Russell for Keeping a Reading & wrighting School 2 month in 1769	4	16	0
Paid John Flagg for Providing & Bording a School Dame 12 Weaks in North West School . . .	3	12	0
Paid Josiah Bigelow for Bording m^r Savage 9 weaks Last winter	3	0	0
Paid Jonathan Bullard for Bording master Brown 17 Weaks in 1769	5	8	0
Paid Dec^n Thos Upham for Bording & Nursing Sarah Jenison	2	17	0
Paid Isaac Flagg for Keeping a Reading & Wrighting School Last Winter	4	16	—
Paid Henry Coggin for Keeping Wm Partridge one year Ending 25 Jul	4	14	—
Paid By aSigenement in Constable Peirce List . .	3	11	4
Paid James Stimson for Bording & Cloathing Benj^m. Stimson one year Ending the first of March 1770	4	12	0
Paid Incress Ledbetter for Keeping the widow Partridge & Nursing & Clothing one year Ending Decr 26 1770	3	13	4
Paid By abatement of what was unpaid of what Nathan Jones was Rateed for James Roberts in Constable Russells List	0	16	5
Paid By abatement of Vollinetine Sullevan Rats in Constable Lamsons List	0	13	8
Paid By abatement of Abijah Stimsons Rats in Constable Lamsons List	0	13	8
Paid By a Signement in Constable James Smith List .	5	5	4
Paid By abatement of Ezeakel Cox Rats in Constable Peirces List		12	2
Paid Thomas Rand for Repairing the Pound . .		12	—
Paid Capt Braddyll Smith for a Chest for the Towns Use		13	4
Paid Capt John Mirick for a Sett of Drills for the Towns Use		5	4
Paid for Copys of the ajustment of the Cost of the Great Bridge at Watertown		1	6
Paid my Self for Clothing Benj^m. Stimson . . .	1	3	4
Paid mr Wizell for mending the Glass of meeting House & Senter & North East Schools		19	0
Paid Josiah Smith for Sweeping the meeting House .	1	4	0
Carred over	137	8	9
[95.] Brought over	137	8	9
Paid Josiah Smith for Repairing the Senter School House in 1769		6	

Paid to Sundries Persons for Provision & Clothing and Fire wood for Sam^{ll} Cory Part of it in the year 1769 and Part of it in 1770	13	4	4
Paid Towards the Repair of Watertown Bridge . .	15	0	2
Paid By abatement of Josiah Willingtons Rats in Constable W^{m}. Lawrance List	1	0	4
Paid By abatement of Semeon Hagers Rats in Constable W^{m}. Lawrance List	0	15	5
	£167	15	3

There Remains in the Hands of Sam^{ll} Train of the Town Rate of his Former Collections . . .	5	11	11	1
Remains in the Hands of David Starns Late Constable	11	6	5	2
Rem^{s} in the Hands of Joseph Whitney Late Constable	1	17	10	3
Remains in the Hand of Thos Russell Late Constable		16	2	—
Rem^{s} in the Hands of John Lamson Late Constable .	11	0	0	0
Rem^{s} in the Hands of James Smith Late Constable .	25	3	3	—
Rem^{s} in the Hands of Moses Harrington Late Constable	16	15	8	3
Rem^{s} in the Hands of Jonathan Underwood Late Constable	29	12	6	1
Rem^{s} in the Hands of Nathaniel Cooledge Late Constable	49	9	10	1
Rem^{s} in the Hands of Benj^{m}. Peirce Late Constable .	38	15	10	2
and in the Hands of Sam^{ll} Train Present Constable .	67	6	7	2
and in the Hands of James Livermore Present Constable	61	6	8	3
	£319	3	0	2

There Remains in Said Treasurers Hands £1:9:7:0

We the Subscribers By order of the Selectmen Have Examined the Foregoing accounts and Find them well Vouched and Wright Cast

BRADDYLL SMITH
SAM^{LL} BALDWIN

WESTON March 1 : 1771

JONAS HARRINGTON Town Treasurer

The Town Granted at there Town meeting on the 5 of march 1770 the Sume of Eighty Pounds to amend & Repair their High Ways with for the year Ensewing which Sume the Inhabitants were assessed and Lists and warrants of the whole Committed to the Survayers & Collecters as followeth viz

To Isaac Mirick .	16:11: 0		which they have Collected and Layed
Phinahes Upham .	18:13 0		out the Same in Amending and Re-
Abijah Felch . .	15 12:10	80	pairing the Roads in Said Town
John Warren . .	16 17 6		JONAS HARRINGTON
Josiah Bigelow .	12 5 8		Town Treasurer

3 Voted By the Inhabitants of Said Town that there Swine Go at Large the year Ensewing

4 Voted By the Inhabitants of Said Town that they Repaire their High Ways by a Rate the year Ensewing and Voted by S^d Town the Sume of one Hundred Pounds theirefor Then the Inhabitants of Said town Voted to adjorn the meeting untill Thursday th 7 Day of this Instant a three oClock in the afternoon then to meet at the meeting House which the moderator adjourned accordingly

At ameeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Weston Qualified to Vote in Town affairs on Thursday th 7 Day of March 1771 By adjournment from th 4 Day of March Proceeded to the Remaining Buisness of Said meeting

first it was at the Desire of Lemuel Jones Put to Vote to See if the town Reconsider their their not Excepting of Sam^ll Train to Serve as Constable in his Room and it Passed in the Negetive —

[96.] and upon Lemuel Jones Refuising to Serve as Constable the Town Chose Nathan Hobbs Constable Sworn march 7

5 Voted by the Inhabitants of Said Town that they accept of the List for the jurey Box

6 the Question Was Put Whether the Rats of Theo^s mansfield ju^r in Constable James Smith List which is £1=2 : 3 : 0 Shall be abated and it Passed in the affairmetive and also the Rats of Josiah Willington in the Same List which is £0=17 : 9 : 3 and that Passed also in the affairmetive

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At ameeting of the Selectmen of Weston on th 7 Day of March 1771 the Said Selectmen with a Constable of Said Town Did then appoint m^r Sam^ll Lamson to be a Sealer of Weights and Measures in Said town untill another is appointed in his Stead who was Sworn according to Law By Elisha Jones Esqr

Attest SAM^LL BALDWIN Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the town of Weston Duely Quallified according to the Royal Charter to Vote in the Choice of a Representive Legally Warned in Publick Town meeting assemblied at the meeting house in Weston on Monday the Twentieth Day of may AD 1771 at one oClock afternoon the Major Part of the Electors then Present Did in the Presence of the Selectmen then and there Elect and Depute ABRAHAM BIGELOW to Serve for and Represent them in the Great and General Court or assembly next Ensewing to be convened held and Kecpt at Cambridge upon Wednesday the 29 of may Currant

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Memorandham of an agreement Made this Day Between Jeremiah Whittemore and Israel Whittemore Both of Weston in the County of Middlesix Yeomans on the one part and Samuel Lamson of Weston afore Said Yeoman on the other part Wittnesseth that the Parties above Have Mutualy a greed for themselves and Heirs to Settle & Establish a Line Between them viz Begining at the Northeast Corner of the Said Lamsons Wall then Runing Southerly as the Wall Stands to a heap of Stones on a Flat Rock then — turning & Runing Easterly about three Rods to a Heap of Stones by a Large Rock in a wall then turning and Runing Southerly as the wall Stands to the Land of Isaac Hobbs the Said Jeremiah and Israel Quits to the S^d Samuel all our Right and title in all the Lands West of the above Line and in Consideration thereof the Said Samuel Quits to the Said Jeremiah and Israel all their Right and title in the Lands East of Said Line and we the Subscribers Mutualy agree that the above Shall be a Setled Line Between Our Selves our Heirs and assigns forever hereafter In Witness whereof the Parties above have hereunto Set our Hands and Seals this First Day of February Anno Domino one thousand Seven Hundred and Seaventy one Signed Sealed an Delivered in presence of us

	JEREMIAH WHITTEMORE	Seal
JOSIAH BIGELOW	ISRAEL WHITTEMORE	Seal
JOSIAH SMITH	SAMUEL LAMSON	Seal

[97.] At ameeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the town of Weston Duly Quallified and Lawfully Warned in town meeting Publickly assembled on monday the twenty fifth Day of November AD 1771 at one oClock in the afternoon at the Publick meeting House in Said town then and there

1 To Grand the Rev^{d} m^{r} Sam^{ll} Woodwards Sallary for one year Begining Sep^{tr} 25 AD 1771 and also to make Provison for his firee wood for Said year

2 To here the Town Creditots accounts and act thereon

3 To Grant money to Support Schooling and Defray the Usual Charges of the Town

4 To Know the minde of the town if they will make any further Provision for Schooling then the Grammer School and if So How much and what method and manner for the year Insewing

5 To Know the minde of the town if they will abate the Rates of Ephraim Pratt Deces^{d} in Constables David Steirns s List which is £0 : 16 : 6 : 0

6 To Know the minde of the town if they will abate the Rates of Elisha Flagg Decs^{d} in Constables John Lamson List which is £0 : 13 : 8 : 0 and also Part of the Rates of James Stimson Decs^{d} which is £0 : 14 : 9 : 0 in the Said Lamsons List

7 To Know the minde of the town if they will abate the Rates of Thos Flagg Decs^{d} in Constable moses Harringtons List which is £0 : 6 : 9 : 0 and also the Rates of Elisha Flagg Decs^{d} in the Same List which is £0 : 6 : 9 : 0 and also to know the minde of the town if they will abate the Rates of Thos Peirce in Said Harringtons List which is £1 : 2 : 6 : 0 and also the Rates of James Roberts in the Same List which is £0 : 7 : 9 : 0

8 To Know the minde of the town if they will abate the Rates of Peter ayers in Constable Thos Russells List which is £0 : 16 : 0

9 To Hear the accounts of the Several Surveoyrs for the Labour in Repairing the Bridges and Publick Roads in there Respective Districts over and above their Rates the Present year and act thereon

10 To Know the minde of the town wheather they will accept of the Proseedings of the Selectmen in joyning with a

Committe from Lincoln in Carrying out the Line Between Weston and Lincoln to the Westward to Sudbury Line to a Stake and Heape of Stones in a Swomp

11 To Know the minde of the town if they will abate to Josiah Allen the Rates of Nathaniel Allen ju^r for his Poll Tax in Constable James Livermore List which is £0 : 9 : 2 : 0

12 To Hear the Petition of John Allen and others to Know the minde of the town wheather they will Seat the meeting House in Said town by the Same Rule that it has been Seated formerly and if So Chuse a Committe for that Purpose

13 You are a Like Required to Notifie the Inhabitants that they are a Like Required to Bring in there Credit if any they Have to the Selectmen at the House of Sam^ll Baldwin Innholder in Weston on Fryday the 22 of this Instant Novr a 3 oClock in the afternoon and Make Due Return of this Warrant with your Doings theron Dated at Weston the 14 Day of Novr AD 1771

Voted By Said town that CAP^T BRADDYLL SMITH Shall Be Moderator of Said meeting

1 Granted the Revd Mr Samuel Woodward £66=13=4 as his Sallary for one year Begining the 25 of Sep^tr Last and also Granted £12=0=0 to Enable him to Provide his firewood one year from the 25 of Sep^tr Last Past

[98.] 2 Voted By the Inhabitants of Said town that they accept of the town Credit as read off viz

	£	S	D	Q
to Constable Sam^ll Train for Slllary for Serving Constable 10^s/ & to Warning three town meetings in the year 1770 6/	0	16	0	0
to Constable James Livermore for Sallary for Serving Constable 10^s/ and to Warning four town meetings in the year 1770 8/	0	18	0	0
to John Lamson for Eight Days making Rats @ 2^s/ per Day in 1770: 0 16 0	0	16	0	0
to Capt Sam^ll Baldwin for 14 Days making Raits and Drawing Lists and taking Invoice @ 2^s/ per Day 28^s/ in 1770	1	8	0	0
to Capt Braddyll Smith for 15 Days making Rates & Drawing Lists and taking Invoice @ 2^s/ per Day 30^s/ and Paper for the Same 3^s/ in 1770 . . .	1	13	0	0
	5	11	0	0

3ly Voted By the Inhabitants of Said town the Sum of Sixty Pounds to Support Schooling and Defray the Usual Charges of the town the Present year

4ly Voted By the Inhabitants of Said town that they make further Provision then the Grammer School for two months viz Voted to Have 5 Reading and wrighting Schools in the winter Season aGreable to the Last years Vote to that Purpose

5ly Put to Vote to See if the town will abate the Rates of Ephraim Pratt in Constable David Stairns s List which is £0 : 16 : 6 : 0 and it Pased in the Negetive

6ly Put to Vote in Said meeting to Know the minde of the town if they will abate the Rates of Elisha Flagg Decsd in Constable John Lamsons List which is £0—13 : 8 : 0 and it Pased in the affirmetive and also Put to Vote to know the minde of the town if they will abate Part of the Rates of James Stimson Decsd which is 0 : 14 : 9 : 0 in Said Lamsons List and it Pased in the Negetive

7ly Put to Vote in Said meeting to Know the minde of the town if they will abate the Rates of Elisha Flagg Decsd in Constable Moses Harringtons List which is £0 : 6 : 9 : 0 and it Pased in the affairmetive and also Voted in Said meeting to abate the Rates of Thos Flagg Decsd in Said Harringtons List which is £0 : 6 : 9 : 0

Put to Vote to See if the town will abate the Rates of Thos Peirce in Said Harringtons List which is 1 : 2 : 6 : 0 and it pased in the Negetive

and also Put to Vote to know if the town will abate the Rates of James Roberts in Said Harringtons List which is £0 : 7 : 9 : 0 & it pased in the Negetive

8ly Pu to Vote in Said meeting to Know the minde of the town if they will abate the Rates of Peter Ayers in Constable Russells List which is £0 : 16 : 2 : 0 and it pased in the Negetive

9ly Voted by the Inhabitants in Said meeting that they Do Not allow Mr William Whitneys account of what he Charged for Work in Repairing the Roads and Bridges in his District

Put to vote to Know the minde of the town if they will allow Jonathan Stratton jr Survayor what he Charged as over

worked in his District more then his Rates and it passed in the Negetive

Voted to pay Jonath^{n} Stratton ju^{r} for Eight String peaces at the Said meeting 0 : 11 : 7 : 0 for the Bridges at Dea^{n} Russels and Benj^{m} Fullers

Put to vote to know the minde of the town if they Pay John Warren £0 : 12 : 0 for what he worked at m^{r} Hobbs Bridge in march Last and it passed in the affairmetive

it was Put vote to know the minde of the town if they Pay Isaac miricks account for what he worked at m^{r} Bigelows which is £0—16 : 0 : 0 and it passed in the affairmetive

Put to vote at Said meeting to know the minde of the town if they allow Sam^{ll} Train ju^{r} Survayor £3—11—0 0 which was the account that he gave in to the town and it passed in the Negetive But voted to pay Said Sam^{ll} Train ju^{r} Survayor £0 : 15 : 9 : 0 for Plank and String peaces

Voted at Said meeting by the Inhabitants that the Survayrs and the Hands they Implyed Shall be allowed what they have worked over their Rates the Present year in the Next years High way Rate in Each District

[99.] 10^{ly} Put to Vote To Know the minde of the town wheather they will accept of the Procedings of the Selectmen in Joyning with a Committe from Lincoln in Carrying out the Line Between Weston and Lincoln to the Westward to Sudbury Line to a Stake and heap of Stones in a Swamp and it Passed in the affairmetive

11 Put to Vote to Know the minde of the town if they will abate to Josiah Allen the Rates of Nathaniel Allen ju^{r} for his Poll Tax in Constable James Livermore^{s} List which is £0 : 9 : 2 : 0 and it passed in the affairmetive

12 Put to vote to know the minde of the town if they will Grant the Petition of John Allen and others in Seeting the meeting House and it passed in the affairmetive

Voted that there be three men Chosen as a Committe to Seat Said meetinghouse by the Same Rule that it was Last time

Viz { Cap^{T} Braddyll Smith
Elisha Jones Esq^{R}
Lieut Jonathan Stratton } Committe

1772.

At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duly Qualified and Legally warned in Publick town meeting assembled on monday the Second Day of march AD 1772 at ten oClock in the fore noon at the Publick meeting house in Said town then there

1 To Chuse Selectmen and other Town officers for the year Ensewing that are by Law Required

2 To Hear the Town Treasurers accounts for the year Past and act thereon

3 To Know the minde of the Town Wheather their Swine Shall go at Large the year Ensewing

4 To Know the minde of the Town Whether they will Repair their High ways by a Rate the year Ensewing and if So Grant Money theirfor

5 To Hear and act upon a list Prepaired for the Jeury Box

6 To Know the minde of the Town wheather they will give Liberty to the Revd Mr Woodward to Build on the Towns Land Westerly of the meeting House a Shay House

7 To Know the minde of the town if they will abate the Rates of Thos Flagg Decs^{d} in Constable Cooledge List which is £0 : 12 : 2 : 0 and also the Rates of Elisha Flagg Decs^{d} in the Same List which is £0 : 12 : 2 : 0 and also the Rates of Jacob Bull in the Same List which is £0 : 5 : 7 : 0 and also the Rates of Samuel Spring in the Same List which is £0 : 18 : 6 : 2

8 To Know the minde of the Town if they will abate the Rates of Semeon Hager in in Constable Benj^{m}. Peirces List

[100.] The Town Proceded to Bring in there votes for a Moderator and upon Examining the Same it appeared that Mr Josiah Smith was Chosen Moderator of Said meeting Then the Following Persons were Chosen Town officers for the year Ensewing viz

Selectmen
- Josiah Smith
- John Mirick
- Isaac Jones
- Jonathan Stratton
- Joseph Whitney

Town Clerk	SAMUEL BALDWIN	Sworn march 2
Town Treasurer	BRADDYLL SMITH	Sworn march 2
Constables	ISAAC JONES and BENJ^M^. PEIRCE was accepted in ISAAC JONES Place as Constable and Sworn March 2 ISRAEL WHITTEMORE was Chosen and Refused to Serve ISAAC HOBBS and BENJ^M^. PEIRCE was accepted in ISAAC HOBBS Place as Constable and Sworn march 2	
Assessors	ABRAHAM JONES BRADDYLL SMITH NATHAN HOBBS	Sworn March 2
Wordens	ISAAC MIRICK SAMUEL SEAVERNS JONATHAN FISK	Sworn March 2
Survayers of High ways and Collectors of the Same	JOHN MIRICK JOSIAH SEAVERNS SAMUEL TRAIN JOHN FLAGG SAMUEL LAMSON	Sworn March 2
Tything men	SAMUEL LIVERMORE JOSEPH PEIRCE	Sworn march 2
Hoggreaves	SEMEON SMITH PHINIHAS UPHAM	Sworn march 2
Preservers of Deer	JAMES LIVERMORE THADDEUS SPRING	Sworn march 2
Field Drivers	JOSIAH STEDMAN JOSIAH BIGELOW	Sworn march 2
Fence Viewers	JAMES STIMSON ABIJAH STEDMAN	Sworn march 2
Sealers of Leather	THOMAS RUSSELL JONATHAN UNDERWOOD	Sworn march 2
[101.] Surveyors of Bords	SAMUEL BALDWIN BENJAMIN POLLARD	Sworn march 2

voted that JOSIAH SMITH take Care of the meeting House for 24s/

Then the Town Treasurers accounts was Read of and accepted which are as followeth

2 The accounts of Braddyll Smith Treasurer for Weston from March the 4 1771 To March 2 1772 Recd and Paid as followeth viz

	£	S	D	Q
Recd of Constable Samll Train of his former Collections in full	5	11	11	1
Recd of Constable Joseph Whitney in full . . .	1	17	10	3
Recd of Thomas Russell Late Constable in full . .		16	2	—
Recd of John Lamson Late Constable in Part . .	10	5	0	—
Recd of James Smith Late Constable in Part . .	14	1	10	2
Recd of Moses Harrington Late Constable in full .	16	15	8	3
Recd of Jonathan Underwood Late Constable in full .	29	12	6	1
Recd of Nathaniel Cooledge Late Constable in Part .	12	00	0	0
Recd of Constable Benjm. Peirce of his former Collections in Part	37	12	8	—
Recd of James Livermore Late Constable in Part .	45	9	4	3
Recd of Jonas Harrington Late Treasurer the Ballance that Remained in his hand	1	9	7	—
Recd of the Interest money Due to the town on Seaveral Bonds	7	0	4	—
Recd of Lemuel Jones as a fine for his Refusing to Serve as a Constable	5	0	0	—
Recd of David Stairns Late Constable in Part . .	5	0	—	—
	192	13	1	1

Paid To Sundrys Persons By orders the following Sumes viz			
Paid the Revd Mr Samll Woodward in full for his Sallary one year Ending Sept the 25: 1771 and for his fire Wood Said year	78	13	4
Paid School master Savage in full for Keeping the town School	14	0	0
Paid Schoolmaster Wettmore in full for Keeping a wrighting School 2 months	2	10	0
Paid Schoolmaster Fisk in full for a winter School 2 months	2	8	—
Paid William Lawrance jur in full for Bording School master fisk 2 months	2	8	—
Paid By aBatement of Christopher Caprons Rates in Constable Joseph Whitney List		16	6

Paid Joel Smith for Keeping a winter School 3 months and Bording him Self	7	4	—	
Paid Nathan Hobbs in Part for Providing and Paying one School Dame	3	0	0	
Paid By the abatement of Elisha Flaggs Rates in Constable moses Harrington List		6	9	
Paid By the abatement of Thomas Flaggs Rates in Said Harringtons List		6	9	
Paid Joel Smith for Keeping a wrighting School 2 months the winter before Last	4	16	—	
Paid Capt Baldwin for Bording School Master Savage 4 months	5	13	—	
Paid By the abatement of The^{o} mansfields ju^{r} Rates in Constable James Smiths List	1	2	3	
Paid By the abatement of Josiah Willingtons Rates in Said Smiths List		17	9	3
Paid Israel Whittemore for 340 feet of Plank for Wattertown Bridge	3	8	—	
Paid Israel Whittemore for Plank and timber for the town Bridges	7	8	6	
Paid School Master Bigelow in Part for Keeping the town School	10	0	—	
Paid my Self for taking the General Invoyce and Valluation	3	8	—	
Paid my Self for Plank and timber for the town Bridges	1	13	—	
Paid my Self for Preambelating the town Lines with Sudbury Waltham & Lincoln		8	—	
Paid to the Survayrs and other Expence in making out the Line with Lincoln		13	—	
Paid in Part for the Repair of the North East School house		3	6	
Paid for Warning & Caushing against John Hager Andrew Dewing James Armstrong and Elizabeth Tower	1	0	0	
Paid for the Suport of Samuel Cory & Wife in part for the Present year & Part for Last	11	0	2	1
Paid Do^{c} Pond for Doctring Sarah Jenison in full .		4	0	
Paid Josiah Smith for taking Care of the meeting house and Pound one year	1	4	0	
Paid for Suporting Joseph Cory in his Last Sickness and Cost of Burial	3	13	7	2
Paid Capt Mirick for Plank for Wattertown Bridge .	2	19	11	
Paid By abatement of What John Flagg was over Rated through mistak in 1770		14	7	
Carred up to the Next Leaf	172	0	8	2

[102.] Brought up the Footing of What is Paid out on the Last Leaf	172	0	8	2
Paid By aSignment in Constable James Livermors List	2	15	0	3
Paid James Stimson for Suporting Benj^{m}. Stimson to the first of March 1771	6	0	0	—
Paid Josiah Smith for Cloathing for Benj^{m}. Stimson .	1	9	8	—
Paid Josiah Smith for Preamblating the town Line with Natick him Self and Sam^{ll} Trin j^{r} . . .		4	—	—
Paid Josiah Smith fo two String peaces for the Bridge by m^{r} Bigelows		18	—	—
Paid By the abatement of Josiah Allens Sons Poll Tax in Constable Livermore List		9	2	—
Paid School Master Bigelow for Keeping the town School one Qurter & Bording Himself Said time in full	10	0	—	—
Paid By the abatement of Elisha Flaggs Rates in Constables Lamsons List		13	8	—
	194	10	3	1
There Remains in the Hands of David Stairns Late Constable	6	6	5	2
and in the Hands of John Lamson Late Constable .		15	0	—
and in the Hands of James Smith Late Constable .	11	1	4	2
and in the Hands of Nath^{ll} Cooledge Late Constable .	37	9	10	1
and in the Hands of Benj^{m}. Peirce of his former Collections	1	3	2	2
and in the Hands of Sam^{ll} Train Late Constable . .	67	6	7	2
and in the Hands of James Livermore Late Constable	15	17	4	—
and in the Hands of Benj^{m}. Peirce Present Constable .	71	7	10	—
and in the Hands of Nathan Hobbs Present Constable	67	5	6	—
	278 :	13 :	2	1

We the Subscribers By order of the Selectmen Have Examined the Foregoing Accounts and Finde them well Vouched and wright Cast and Remains Due to Said Treasurer £1 : 17 : 2 : 0
Weston Feb^{r} 28 1772

SAMUEL BALDWIN
JOHN LAMSON

3 Voted By the Inhabitants that there Swine go at Large the year Ensewing

4 Voted By the Inhabitants to Repair there High ways By a rate the year Ensewing and Granted the Sum of one Hundred and Eighty Pounds there for

5 Voted By the Inhabitants at Said meeting to accept of the List of Jeurors Prepaired by the Selectmen as Read of and that the First 20 be in the first Box

6 Put to vote to know the minde of the Town if they will Give Liberty to the Revd Mr Sam^{ll} Woodward to Build on the Towns Land Westerly of the Meeting House a Shay House and it Passed in the affairmetive

7 Put to vote to Know the minde of the Town if they will abate the Rates Thos Flagg Decs^{d} in Constable Nath^{ll} Cooledge List which is £0 : 12 : 2 : 0 and it Passed in the affairmetive and also the Rates of Elisha Flagg in the Same List which is £0 : 12 : 2 : 0 it Passed in the affairmetive also : and also the Rates of Jacob Bull in the Same List which is £0 : 5 : 7 : 0 and that Passed in the affairmetive and also Put to vote to know the minde of the town if they will abate the Rates of Sam^{ll} Spring in Said Cooldges List which is £0 : 18 : 6 : 2 and it Passed in the affairmetive also

8 Put to vote to Know the minde of the town if they will abate the Rates of Semeon Hager in Benj^{m}. Peirces List which is £0 : 12 : 2 : 0 and it Passed in the affairmetive

[103.] At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the town of Weston Duly Qualified and Legally Warned in Publick town meeting assembled at the Publick meeting House in Said town on monday the Eighteenth Day of may AD 1772 at one oClock in the after Noon then and there

1 To Know the minde of the town if they will alough william Whitney Late Surveayor what he worked over his Rates or any Part or what he worked at the bridges which is Eight Pounds two Shillings or any Part thereof or act any other thing or matter as the town Shall think proper

2 To Know the minde of the town if they will accept of the Report of the Committe in Seating the meeting House Last march

3 To Hear the Petition of Phinihas Upham and others to know the minde of the town if they will give Liberty to a number of Singers to Set together in the Second & third and fourth Seats in the mens front Gallery and act thereon

Voted By Said Inhabitants that Mr JOSIAH SMITH *be Moderator*
voted by Said Town that this meeting be adjourned till 4 oClock and the Moderator Declared Said meeting adjourned accordingly

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Weston Qualified to vote in town affairs on monday the Eighteenth Day of may AD 1772 by adjournment from one oClock to 4 oClock of Said Day and then Proced to the Buisness

1 Put to vote to know the minds of the town if they will alough william Whitney the whole of his accompt and it Passed in the Negetive

Voted in Said meeting to Pay william Whitney Eight Pounds for his Labour in Repairing the Bridges in his District

2 Put to vote to Know the minde of the town if they will accept of the Report of the Committe in Seating the meeting House Last march and it Passed in the affairmetive

3 Voted to Grant the Petition of Phinihas Upham and others

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Weston Qualified according to the Royall Charter To vote in the Choice of a Representive Being assembled at the Publick meeting House in Said town on monday the Eighteenth Day of may AD 1772 at two oClock in the afternoon The Major Part of the Electers then Present Did in the Presence of the Selectmen Elect and Depute mr ABRAHAM BIGELOW to Serve for and Represent them in a Greate and General Court or assembley appointed to be Convened held and Kept for his majestys Service at Harvard Colledge in Cambridge upon Wednesday the Twenty Seventh Day of may Currant

[104.] At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the town of Weston Duly quallified and Lawfully warned in Publick town meeting assembled on Monday the fifth Day of October AD 1772 at one oClock in the afternoon at the Publick Meeting House in Said Town then and there

1 To Gant the Revd Mr Samll Woodwards Sallary for one

Year Beginning Sep^{t} 25 AD 1772 and also to make Provison for his fire wood for Said year

2 To Hear the Town Creditors accounts and act thereon

3 To Grant money to Support Schooling and Defray the usual Charges of the Town

4 To Know the minde of the town if they will make any further Provison for Schooling then the Grammer School and if So how much and what meathed and manner for the year Ensewing

5 To Know the minde of the town if they will abate the Rates of Jacob Bull in Constable James Livermores List which is £0=9=2 : 0

6 To Know the minde of the town if they will abate the Rates of James Martain in Constable Nath^{ll} Coolledges List which is £0=11=10 : 0

7 To Know the minde of the town if they will abate the Rates of Josiah Willington ju^{r} in Constable Jmaes Smiths List which is £0=13=8 : 0

8 To Know the minde of the town if they will Pay Jonathan Stratton ju^{r} what he worked over his Rates last year

9 To Know the minde of the town if they will alough Josiah Smith & Isaac Jones and Capt John Mirick what they Provided for Cathrine Cory in her Sickness & the old man

10 You are alike Requred to Notifie the Inhabitants that they bring in there Credit if any they have to the Selectmen at the House of Capt Sam^{ll} Baldwin Innholder in Weston on Fryday the Second Day of october next at 4 oClock in the afternoon

and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon to the Selectmen Dated at Weston this twenty fifth Day of Sep^{t} AD 1772

Then the town Proceded to Bring in there Votes for a moderator and upon Examining the Same it appeard that m^{r} Josiah Smith was Chosen Moderator of Sed meeting

1 Voted by Said town that they Grant To the Rev^{d} m^{r} Sam^{ll} Woodward for his Salery the Present year Begining Sep^{t} 25 1772 the Sum of Sixty Six Pounds thirteen Shillings and 4^{d} and also Twelve Pounds to Enable him to Provide his fire wood for Said year which is in the whole added together £78 : 13 : 4

2 Then the Town Creditors accounts were Read and accepted as followeth

	£	S	D	Q
viz to Constable Benj^{m}. Peirce for Salary for Serving Constable 10^{s}/ to warning three town meetings 6^{s}/ to Carring the Votes to Charlestown for a County Treasurer 5^{s}/	1	1	0	0
To Constable Nathan Hobbs for Sallary for Serving Constable 10^{s}/ to warning three town meetings 6^{s}/	0	16	0	0
To Capt Braddyll Smith to making Rates in 1771 13 Days a 2^{s}/ per Day 26^{s} to Paper for the Rates 3/4 .	1	9	4	0
To Capt Sam^{ll} Baldwin to making Rates in 1771 13 Days a 2^{s}/ per Day 26 to Paper for the General Invoice 1^{s}/6^{d}	1	7	6	0
To John Lamson to making Raites in 1771 8 Dayes a 2^{s}/ per Day 16^{s}/	0	16	0	0
	£5	9	10	0

3 Voted by the Inhabitants of Said town the Sum of Ninety Pounds as a town Rate to Support Schooling and Defray the usual Charges of the town

4 Voted by the Inhabitants of Said town to make further Provison then the Grammer School Voted to Have five Reading and wrighting Schools in the Winter Season two months in Each School house agreable to the votes the two Last years for that purpose

[105.] 5 It was Put to vote to know the minde of the town if they will abate the Rates of Jacob Bull in Constable James Livermores List which is £0 : 9 : 2 : 0 it Pased in the affairmetive

6 it was Put to vote to know the minde of the town if they will abate the Rates of James Martain in Constable Nathaniel Cooledge^{s} List which is £0 : 11 : 10 : 0 and it Passed in the Negetive

7 it was Put to vote to know the minde of the town if they will abate the Rates of Josiah Willington ju^{r} in Constable James Smiths List which is £0 : 13 : 8 : 0 and it Passed in the affirmetive

8 it was Put to Vote to know the minde of the town if they will Pay Jonathan Stratton ju^{r} what he worked over his Rates

at the Bridges Last year which is £1—4—0 : 0 and it Pased in the affairmetive

9 it was Put to vote to know the minde of the town if they will alough Josiah Smith account for what he Provided for Cathrina Cory in her Sickness and for Sam Cory which is £10—2 : 8—0 and it Passed in the affairmetive and also Isaac Joness account which is £1 : 17 : 0 : 0 and it Passed in the affairmetive and also John miricks account which is £0 : 13 : 4 : 0 and it Passed in the affairmetive

WESTON Feb : 24. 1773 Then received of Braddyll Smith Town Treasurer Seventy Eight pounds, Thirteen Shillings and four pence in full for my Salary and fire-wood for the Year ending Sept : 25. 1772. ℔ SAM^L. WOODWARD

1773.

At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the town of Weston Duly Quallified and Lawfully warned in Publick Town Meeting assembled on Monday the first Day of March AD 1773 at ten oClock in the fore noon at the Publick Meeting house in Said town then and there

1 To Chuse Selectmen and other town officers for the year Ensewing that are by law Required

2 To Hear the town Treasurers accounts for the year Past and act thereon

3 To know the minde of the town Wheather there Swine Shall go at Large the the year Ensewing

4 To know the minde of the town wheather they will Repair their highways by a Rate the year Ensewing and if So Grant money therefor

5 To Hear and act upon a list prepaired for the Jury Box

6 To hear the Petition of Thaddeus Spring and others to know the minde of the town wheather they will take the School house in the Northwesterly part of the town and that in the Southeasterly part of the town into the towns hands and pay the Subscribers for building Said houses or act any other Matter or thing with Regard to Said houses

7 To know the minde of the town if they will accept of an alterration of a town way as marked out by the Selectmen through the land of James Stimson and Discontinue the old way in the Room of the New one Provided it is not any Charge to the town

[106.] 8 To Know the minde of the town if they will give Liberty Jonathan Stratton Sam^{ll} Baldwin & Isaac Jones to Build on the towns land Northwesterly of the meeting house Each of them a Shay House

Then the town Proceeded to Bring in there Votes for a Moderator and upon Examinning the Same it appeareed that Mr Josiah Smith was Chosen Moderator of Said meeting and the following Persons were Chosen unto office in Said town for the year Ensewing viz

Selectmen	Josiah Smith Thomas Russell Thomas Rand Joseph Whitney Benj^{m}. Peirce	
Town Clerk	Sam^{ll} Baldwin	Sworn March 1
Town Treasurer	Capt Braddyll Smith	Sworn March 1
Over Sears of the Poor	Coll Elisha Jones John Allen Sam^{ll} Baldwin	
Constables	Joseph Lovewell and he Hired Thadd^{s} Spring whom the town accepted as Constable and was Sworn March 4 John Flagg and he Refused to Serve	
Assessors	Abraham Jones Nathan Hobbs Sam^{ll} Baldwin	Sworn march 1
Wardens	Hezekiah Wyman Incress Ledbetter Mathew Hobbs	Sworn march 1

Surveyers and Collectors of highways	ABRAHAM BIGELOW JOSEPH GAIRFIELD JONAS SANDERSON URIAH GRIGORY ISRAEL WHITTEMORE	Sworn March 1
Tything men	SAM^{LL} LAMSON JONAS PEIRCE	Sworn March 1
Hoggreffs	ISAAC FLAGG JONATHAN FISK	Sworn march 1
Presevers of Dear	SAM^{LL} CHILD JAMES LIVERMORE	Sworn March 1
Field Drivers	SAM^{LL} TRAIN JU^{R} JOEL SMITH	Sworn March 1
Fence vewers	INECRESS LEDBETTER ISAIAH BULLARD	Sworn March 1
Sealers of Leather	THOMAS RUSSELL BENJ^{M}. PEIRCE	Sworn March 1
Surveyers of Boards Shingles hoops &c	SAM^{LL} BALDWIN JOSEPH RUSSELL	Sworn March 1

JOSIAH CARY SAXTON and for the Care of the meeting house &c 24^{s}/.

[107.] 2^{ly} Then the accounts of the town treasurer was Read of and accepted which is as followeth

The account of Braddyll Smith Treasurer for Weston from March the 2 1772 to March the 1 : 1773

Rec^{d} of Constable James Livermore in full . . .	15	17	4	
Rec^{d} of Constable James Smith in Part . . .	7	15	—	
Rec^{d} of Constable Benj^{m}. Peirce of his former Collection in full	1	3	2	2
Rec^{d} of Constable John Lamson in full . . .	0	15	0	
Rec^{d} of Constable Nathaniel Cooledge in full . .	37	9	10	1
Rec^{d} of Constable Sam^{ll} Train in Part	57	4	9	1
Rec^{d} of Constable Benj^{m}. Peirce of his Last years Collection in full	71	7	10	

Rec^{d} of Constable Nathan Hobbs in Part	53	9	9	3
Rec^{d} of the Interest money Due to the town on Several Bonds	7	0	4	
Rec^{d} of Josiah Smith for Elisha Coxes use of a Room in th work house	0	12	0	
Rec^{d} of Sam^{ll} Lamson fore the old way given up to him	1	6	8	
	£254	1	9	3

Paid To Sundrey Persons by order the following Sums viz				
To the Revd Mr Sam^{ll} Woodward in full for his Sallary one year Ending the Sep^{t} 25 1772 and for his fire wood Said year	78	13	4	
P^{d} School Master Bigelow in Part for Keeping the town School	10	00	0	
Paid By a Signment in Constable Sam^{ll} Trains List .	2	19	—	
Paid Abr^{m} Bigelow for what he Provided for Sam^{ll} Cory in 1771	2	15	3	1
Paid Alexander Shepard ju^{r} for keeping a School two months and bording him Self	4	16	0	
Paid James Stimson for Boarding Benj^{m}. Stimson 26 weaks	3	18	0	
Paid Incress Ledbetter for keeping and Nursing the widow Partridge	6	1	7	
Paid Isaac Flagg for keeping School two months and Boarding himSelf in 1771	4	16	—	
Paid Abijah Stedman for 515 feet of plank for the town Bridges	3	1	8	
Paid John Lamson for taking the general Invoice and Pramblating the town line	1	12	0	
Paid Sam^{ll}. Train ju^{r} for Plank and timber for the town Bridges	0	15	9	
Paid for warning and Cautioning against Jacob Bull w^{m}. Graves Jedediah white Reuben Shed Martha willard	1	5	0	
Paid James Stimson for Supporting Benj^{m}. Stimson to the first of March 1772	12	0	0	
Paid Isaac Flagg for keeping School two months and Boarding him Self in 1772	4	16	0	
Paid Joel Smith for Keeping School five months and Boarding him Self in 1772	12	0	0	
Paid by a Signment in Constable Nathanel Cooledge List	1	16	0	
Paid Mr Joseph Roberts for Keeping School two months and Boarding him Self	4	16	0	

Paid by the abatement of william Adames Rates in Constable Nathaniel Cooledge List	0	13	10	3
Paid Henry Coggin for Keeping Wm. Partridge to the 25 of April 1772	8	0	0	
Paid Nathan Hobbs for Bording School Master Wetmore two months	2	16	—	
Paid Capt Baldwin for taking the general Invoice 1771 and Returning the Lists	3	6	—	
Paid Josiah Smith for his Care of the meeting house & Pound one year	1	4	0	
Paid My Self the Ballance Due to me the Last adjustment	1	17	2	
Paid Mr Isaac Begelow for keeping School three months in Senter School house	10	0	0	
Paid Benjm Peirce for Shoes for Samll Cory & wife .	0	14	5	
Paid Mr Joseph Roberts for keeping School in 1771 two months and Boarding him Self	4	16	0	
Paid Doc Josiah Star for Doctring Joseph Hager wife Samll Cory Joseph Cory	4	16	0	
Paid Thomas Rand for wood for Corys 6—12—8 and 6s/ for a Coffen for widow Cory	6	18	8	
Paid Samll Fisk for Plank for Mr Bigelows Bridge .	0	8	0	
Paid Mr Abrm for provision for Samll Cory & for Joseph Cory & a String peace for the Bridge . . .	2	5	3	1
Paid by aSignment in Constable Benjm. Peirce List .	1	12	0	
Paid my Self for Plank and timber for the town Bridges	0	10	2	
Paid Leut Joseph Whitney for Preambelating the town Lines with Waltham Lincoln and Sudbury 8s/ and for Repairs for the Senter and North East School houses	0	19	3	
Pald Mr Wm. Fisk for keeping School one month . .	2	8	0	
Paid Nathan Hobbs in Part for paying a School Dame in 1771	0	12	0	
Paid Capt John mirick for a Civerled for Joseph Corys widow 13/4 for a warden Staff 1/6	0	14	10	
Paid John Warren for what the town granted him for the Labour at the Bridges	0	12	—	
Paid Jonathan Stratton for Plank for the town Bridges North Side	0	19	7	
Paid Capt Baldwin for meal for the Corys 9s/ and for mending the meeting house & School windows .	0	12	6	
Paid Leiut Jona Stratton for Westons Part of the Repaire of the great Bridge	3	16	7	1
Paid by aSignment in Constable Nathan Hobs List .	3	19	0	
Carred to the Next page	£220	12	11	2

[108.] Brough forward from the Last Page .	220	12	11	2
Paid Jonath^{n} Stratton ju^{r} for String peaces for the towns Bridges	0	11	7	
Paid m^{r} William Whitney what the town granted him for Labour on ye Roads	8	0	0	
Paid m^{r} Jonath^{n} Stratton ju^{r} for what the town granted him for what he worked over Rates . . .	1	4	0	
Paid m^{r} Isaac Mirick what the town granted him at Novr meeting 1771	0	16	0	
Paid by the abatement of Josiah Willingtons ju^{r} Rates in Constable James Smiths List	0	13	8	
Paid the Rev^{d} m^{r} Sam^{ll} Woodward in Part for his Sallary one year begining 25 of Sep^{t} 1772 . . .	7	16	6	
Paid m^{r} Josiah Smith for what he Provided for Joseph Corys widow and funaral Charges	9	11	11	
Paid Lieut. Abr^{m}. Jones for Boarding School master Prentic two months	2	18	4	
	£252	4	11	2
There Remains in the Hands of David Stairns former Constable	6	6	5	2
There Remains in the Hands of James Smith former Constable	3	6	4	2
There Remains in the Hands of Sam^{ll} Train former Constable	10	1	10	1
There Remains in the Hands of Nathan Hobbs Late Constable	13	15	8	1
There Remains in the Hands of Benj^{m}. Peirce Present Constable	168	13	4	—
	£202	3	8	2

We the Subscribers being apointed by the Selectmen have Examined the fore going accounts and find them will vouched and wright Cast and there Remains in the Treasurers Hands £1 : 16 : 10 ; 1

WESTON Feb^{r} 26 1773

SAM^{LL} BALDWIN
ISAAC JONES
JOSEPH WHITNEY

3^{ly} Voted that there Swine Shall go at Large within the town the year Ensewing being Regulated

4^{ly} Voted by the Inhabitants that there Highways and town ways be Repaired by a rate and that the Sume of one Hundred

and Sixty Pounds be Raised on the Said Inhabitants therefor and Laid out on Said Roads to be worked by the Same Rule as Last year

5ly voted by the Inhabitants that they accept of the List prepaired by the Selectmen for the Jury Box and that the 23 first be put into the first Box

6ly voted at Said meeting to act on the Petition of Thaddeus Spring and others and voted to Chuse a Committe to Inquire into the Reasonableness of Said Petition and Chose three men as a Committe viz mr Abraham Bigelow Coll Elisha Jones and Capt Braddyll Smith and to make Return to the Next town meeting

7ly voted to accept of the ateration of the Road in James Stimsons Land as marked out by the Selectmen and to give up the old Road Provided it is no Cost to the town for the New way nor for fences the marks are as followeth viz Begining at the foot of the hill west of Said Stimsons house in the old Road at a Stake and heape of Stones by Deaⁿ Abijah Uphams wall and turning north west into Said Stimsons Land to a Stake & Stones and on the Same Course to another Stake and Stones and then turning a little more West to to a Stake and Stones and then West to another Stake & Stones by the End of the wall then West to a Stake and Stones at or Near the Road Leading to Samˡˡ Childs Said marks are all on the South Side of the Said Road and the Road to be two Rods wide North and North west of the above Said marks

8ly voted at Said meeting to Grant the Request of Mersᵒ Jonaᵗʰ. Stratton Samˡˡ Baldwin Isaac Jones to Build them a Shay House on the towns Land westerly of the meeting House and Chose a Committe to perfix the Place viz Capt John mirick Elisha Harrington and John allen

Voted to adjourn this meeting with the Remaining Buisness thereof till thursday next at 3 oClock in the afternoon and the Moderator Declared it adjourned accordingly

The Inhabitants of Weston Being assembled on Thursday the 4 Day of March 1773 at 3 oClock in the afternoon to which time Said meeting was Adjourned to from the first Day of Sᵈ month

Voted at Said meeting that they accept of Thaddeus Spring as Constable in the Room of Joseph Lovewell and was Sworn march 4

Sam[ll] Lamson was Choosen Constable and Mathew Hobbs was accepted as Constable in the Room of Sam[ll] Lamson and was sworn march 4

[109.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the town of Weston Quallified according to the Royall Charter to vote in the Choice of a Representive Being assembled at the Publick meeting House in Said town on Monday the tenth Day of May AD 1773 at one oClock in the after noon The Major Part of the Electors then Present Did in the Presence of the Selectmen Elect and Depute Elisha Jones Esq[r] to Serve for and Represent them in a Great and General Court or assembly appointed to be Convened held and Kecpt for his Majestys Service at the Court House in Boston upon Wednesday the Twenty Sixth Day of May Currant

Pursuant to the order of the House of Representives Directed to the Selectmen of Weston Directing them to assemble the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Weston that are Quallified by Law to Vote in the Choice of a Representive to Meet att Such time and Place as they Shall appoint to Chuse a Person Being a freeholder and Residant in your town to Serve for and Represent them at the Great and General Court at there Present Session now Convened held & Kept for his Majestys Service at the Court House in Boston & So for the Buisness the Remaining Part of the year in the Room of Elisha Jones Esq[r] whome the House of Representives have Declared not Duly Elected

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified according to the Royall Charter to vote in the Choice of a Representive Being assembled at the Publick meeting House in Said town on Monday the Twenty first Day of June AD 1773 at two oClock in the afternoon The Major Part of the Electors then Present Did in the Presence of the Selectmen Elect and Depute Elisha Jones Esq[r] to Serve for

and Represente them in the Greate and General Now Setting at the Court House in Boston

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duly Quallified and Lawfully warned in Publick town meeting assembled on Monday the Twenteth Day of Sep^{t} AD 1773 at one oClock in the afternoon at the Publick meeting House in Said town then & there

1 To Grant the Rev^{d} m^{r}. Sam^{ll} Woodwards Sallary for one year Beginning Sep^{tr} 25 1773 and also to make Provision for his fire wood Said year

2 To Hear the Town Creditors accounts and act thereon

3 To Grant money to Support Schooling and Defray the usual Charges of the town

4 To know the Minde of the town if they will make any further Provision for Schooling then the Grammer School and if So How much and what Meathod for the year Ensewing

5 To Hear the Petition of Capt John Mirick & others to Know the minde of the town wheather they will make any addition to the Rev^{d} m^{r} Woodwards yearly Sallary or Provide for him other wise as the town Shall think Propper

[110.] 6 To Know the minde of the town if they will accept of the alteration of the town way Leading from Sam^{ll} Childs to the meeting House as marked by the Selectmen the town to be at no Cost or Charge for Said way the way to be on the North Easterly Side of Said Marks two Rods wide

7 To know the Minde of ye Town if they will Grant the Request of Thos Peirce to abate his Rates in Constable Benj^{m}. Peirce List for 1771 which is £0 : 9 : 11 and for 1772 which is £0 : 11 : 4 which added together Makes £1 : 1 : 3 : 0 or any Part of them

8 To Know the Minde of the town if they will Joyn with Watertown and Waltham to make the Great Bridge in Watertown any wider

9 To Hear the Report of the Committe Chosen Last march meeting to Inquire into the Reasonableness of the Petition of Thaddeus Spring and others Relaiting to the School Houses

10 You are aLike Required to Notifie the Inhabitants that

they Bring in there Credit if any they Have to Selectmen at the House of Capt Samll Baldwin Innholder in Weston on Fryday the 17 Day of this Instant Sept at 5 oClock in the after noone

Then the Inhabitants Proceeded to Bring in there votes for a moderator and upon Examining the Same it appeared that Mr Josiah Smith *was Chosen Moderator of said meeting*

1 Voted by Said town that they Grant to the Revd Mr Samll Woodward Sixty Six Pounds thirteen Shillings and four Pence for his Sallary for one year Begining Sept 25. AD 1773 and also Granted Twelve Pounds to Enable him to provide his fire wood for Said year

2 Then the Town Creditors accounts were Read off and accepted which is as followeth

	£	S	D	q
viz to Lieut Abraham Jones ten Days making Rates and taking Invoice in the year 1772 a 2s/ per Day . .	1	0	0	0
To Benjm. Peirce to Warning four town meetings of the whole town a 4s/ Each 16/ To Sallary for Serving Constable for the whole Town 20s/ . . .	1	16	0	0
To Capt Braddyll Smith 19 1/2 Days to taking Invoice on North Side and making Rates and Drawing Lists a 2s/ per Day 39s/ in 1772 to Paper to make the Rates on 3s/4	2	2	4	—
To Lieut Nathan Hobbs to Eight Days a making Rates in 1772 a 2s/ per Day 16/	0	16	0	—
To Elisha Jones Esqr one of the overseers of the Poor for what he Provided for the Poor as per his account on file	3	8	6	1
To mr John Allen one of the overseers of the Poor for what he Provided for the Poor as per his account on file	5	0	10	2
To Capt Samll Baldwin one of the overseers of the Poor for what he Provided for the Poor as per his account on file	3	5	10	2
	£17	9	7	1

3 Voted by the Inhabitants at Said meeting one Hundred and fifty Pounds to be assessed on the Inhabitants to Defray the usual Charges of the town

[111.] 4 Voted by the Inhabitants that they will have a

Reading and wrighting School two months in the winter Season in Each School House all to Begin Near or at the Same time agreable to the Votes in years Past

5 it was Put to vote to Know the minde of the Town if they will make any addition to the Rev^{d} m^{r} Woodwards yearly Sallary & it Passed in the Negetive it was also Put to vote to Know the minde of the town if they will make any addition to m^{r} Woodwards Sallary for one year Begining 25 Sep^{t} Ad 1773 and it Passed in the affairmetive and voted the Sume of thirteen Pounds Six Shillings & Eight pence for one year

6 voted to accept of the alteration of the town way by Sam^{ll} Childs Leading to the meeting House as marked Beginning at a Whiteoake Tree marked by the Side of a Town way Leading from Sam^{ll} Childs to the meeting House then Runing Southeasterly to a Heape of Stones on a Rock then Southeasterly to a Heap of Stones on a Rock thence Southeasterly to a Heap of Stones by the Side of the Town way first mentioned Near the House of the above Said Child

7 Voted by the Inhabitants that they abate the Rates of Thomas Peirce in Constable Benj^{m} Peirce List for 1771 which is £0=9=11=0 and also His Rates in Said Peirce List for 1772 which is £0=11=4=0 which two Sums added together makes £1 : 1 : 3 : 0 and they are abated accordingly

8 it was Put to vote to Know the minde of the town if they will Joyn with Watertown and Waltham in Making the Great Bridge over Charles River Wider and it Passed in the Negetive

9 it was Put to vote to Know the minde of the town if they will Hear the Report of the Committe Relaiting to the School Houses and it Passed in the Negetive

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown Weston and Waltham on the 14 Day of Sepr AD 1772 at the House of Samuel Livermore Esqr Innholder in Waltham To Adjust the Charges which has arisen for the Repairing the Great Bridge in Watertown Since the Last adjustment which was on the 17 Day of Sep^{t} 1770 and Westons Part was 3 16 7 1 which was Paid By Jonathan Stratton as may appear by Said account

attest SAML^{L} BALDWIN *Town Clerk*

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown Weston & Waltham on the thirteenth Day of Augt AD 1773 at the House of m^{r} Bez^{ll} Learned Innholder in Watertown to adjust the Charges of the Repair of the Great Bridge in Watertown the accounts were adjustid and Signed of by the Selectmen of Each Town as appears by Said account on Fille

attest SAML^{L} BALDWIN *Town Clerk*

1774.

[112.] At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duly Quallified and Legally warned in Publick Town meeting assembled at the Publick meeting house in Said town on Thursday the 13 Day of January AD 1774 at one oClock in the afternoon then and there

1 To Hear the Petition of Capt Braddyll Smith and others viz To Chuse a Committe to take into Consideration the Circumstances of our Publick affairs and to Corrospond with the NEIGHBOURING Towns and to Consider what is Best to be Done that our Injured Rights and Priviledges may be Restored and Secured and act thereon or any other matter or thing the town Shall think Proper Relative there unto

The Inhabitants of Said town being generaly assembled on Said Day Preceeded and made Choice of COLL^{O} JONES to be Moderator of Said meeting

1 The warrant for Calling the Meeting and the Petition being Read and after a full Debate thereon it was Moved and Seconded and accordingly Put to vote to Know the minde of the town wheather they will take So much Notice of the Said warning and Petition as to Pass any votes Reletive thereto and it Passed in the Negetive by a very great majority

WESTON March 2. 1775

Then received of the Town Treasurer Seventy Eight pounds, thirteen Shillings and four pence Lawfull Money for my Salary and firewood for the year Ending Sept: 25. 1773 (i e) in full

SAM^{L} WOODWARD

WESTON Feb: 29. 1776 Then received of Samuel Lamson Town Treasurer

Ninety two pounds it being in full for my Salary and Fire wood (and 13—6—8 which the People gave me) for the year ending Sept. 25. 1774 ℔ SAMᴸ WOODWARD

WESTON March 18. 1776. Then received of Samuel Lamson Town Treasurer

Ninety two pounds in full for my Salary and Fire-wood (and for the 13—6—8 which the People gave me) for the year Ending Sept. 25. 1775 ℔ SAMᴸ WOODWARD

WESTON March 1: 1777 Then received of Samuel Lamson Town Treasurer

Ninety Two pounds in full for my Salary and Fire wood (and for the £13—6—8 which the Town gave me) for the year Ending Sept: 25. 1776 ℔ SAMᴸ WOODWARD

WESTON Feb. 26. 1778

Then received of Samuel Lamson Town Treasurer, Sixty Six pounds, thirteen Shillings and four pence, in full as original Salary for the year Ending Sept 25. 1777: as also Twelve pounds for my Fire wood for Sᵈ year: Together with Thirteen pounds, Six Shillings and Eight pence granted by the Town for Sᵈ year ending as above ℔ SAMᴸ WOODWARD

[113.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the town of Weston Duly Quallified and Lawfully warned in Publick town Meeting assembled on Monday the Seaventh Day of March AD 1774 at Ten oClock Before noon at the Publick meeting House in Said town then and there

1 To Chuse Selectmen and other town officers for the year Ensewing that are by Law Required

2 To Hear the town Treasurers accounts for the year Past & act thereon

3 To Know the minde wheather there Swine Shall go at Large the year Ensewing

4 To Know the minde of the town wheather they will Repair their High ways by a Rate the year Ensewing and if So Grant money therefor

5 To Hear and act upon a list Prepaired for the Jury Box

6 To Know the minde of the town if they will Joyn with Watertown and Waltham in Petitioning the Great and General Court for Some Release as to the Suport of the Great Bridge over Charles River in Watertown and Chuse a Committe to Joyn with Such as Watertown and Waltham Shall appoint for that Purpose or act any other matter or thing Relaiting thereto

7 To Hear the over Seers accounts and act thereon

8 To Know the minde of the town if they aLough the account of Israel Whitemore Late Survayor for Blowing Rocks and Repairing Drills and for Pouder and act thereon

9 To Hear the Petition of Doc Josiah Starr and others Relaiting to the School houses and act thereon

Then the Town proceded to Bring in there Votes for a Moderator and upon Examining the Same it Apeared that mr Josiah Smith was Chosen Moderator of Said meeting

and the following Persons were Chosen into office for the year Ensewing viz

Selectmen	JOSIAH SMITH JOHN MIRICK THOS UPHAM BENJM. PEIRCE THOS RAND	
Town Clerk	SAMLL BALDWIN	Sworn 14 March
Town Treasurer	SAMLL LAMSON	Sworn March 14

voted to Have three overseers of the Poor

Overseers of Poor	JOHN ALLEN JONAS HARRINGTON JUR JONATHAN STRATTON	
Constables	THADDEUS SPRING ISRAEL WHITEMORE	Sworn March 14 and Thos Russell was accepted in Said Whitermore Room & Sworn March 14

[114.] Assessors	SAMLL BALDWIN	Sworn March 14
	JOSIAH STEADMAN	Sworn March 14
	BRADDYLL SMITH	Sworn March 18
Wardens	SAM^{LL} LIVERMORE JAMES STIMSON JOSEPH RUSSELL	Sworn March 14
Survayors and Collectors of Highways	HEZEKIAH WYMAN JOSIAH STEADMAN JONATHAN FISK NATHAN HAGER NATHANIEL COOLEDGE	Sworn March 14
Tythingmen	ISAAC HOBBS SAM^{LL} FISK	Sworn March 14
Hoggreaves	ISAAC MIRICK JOHN WALKER JU^{R}	Sworn March 14
Preservers of Deer	JOHN MIRICK SAM^{LL} LIVERMORE	Sworn March 14
Field Drivers	PHENIHAS UPHAM NATHANIEL WHEATON	Sworn March 14
Fence vewers	JONATHAN STRATTON JU^{R} URIAH GREGORY	Sworn March 14
Sealers of Leather	JONAS SANDERSON THO^{S} RUSSELL	Sworn March 14
Survayors of Boards Shingles &c	SAM^{LL} BALDWIN ISAAC JONES	Sworn March 14

Saxton & Grave Diger JOSIAH CARY for the Care of the Meeting House 24^{s}/

2 Then the Town Treasurers account was Read off and accepted as Read

The account of Capt Braddyll Smith Treasurer for Weston from March 1 1773 to March 5 1774

Rec^{d} of Constable James Smith in full	£3	6	4	2
Rec^{d} of Constable Sam^{ll} Train in Part	5	0	0	0
Rec^{d} of Constable Nathan Hobbs in Part . . .	8	14	0	0
Rec^{d} of Constable Benj^{m}. Peirce in Part . . .	98	4	4	2
Rec^{d} the Interest money Dew to the town on the Seaverel Bonds	7	0	4	0
Rec^{d} the Baliance that Remained in my Hand the Last Ajustment	1	16	10	1
Rec^{d} of Sam^{ll} Baldwin for one 1/4 Rent of Elisha Cox use of the work House	0	9	0	0
	£124	10	11	1

[115.] Paid To Sundry Persons by orders the following Sums viz

Paid To the Rev^{d} m^{r} Sam^{ll} Woodward in Part for his Sallary one year Ending 25 Sep^{t} 1773 and for his fire wood Said year	55	18	8	
Paid James Stimson for Keeping Benj^{m}. Stimson .	4	4	5	0
Paid School master manning for Keeping the Grammer School two months	4	0	0	0
Paid Israel Mirick for a Great Chair for the South west School House	0	5	0	0
Paid Incress Leadbetter for Keeping and Cloathing the widow Partridge	4	16	6	0
Paid Sam^{ll} Baldwin for Keeping a Reading & Wrighting School two months	4	16	0	0
Paid Jonas Harrington ju^{r} for Plank for Watertown Bridge	1	14	4	3
Paid Isaac Jones for Provision for Sam Cory . .	1	13	7	—
Paid Isaac Jones what the town granted him at oct^{r} meeting 1772 which is	1	17	0	—
and also Nine Shillings and Eight pence for meat for Sam Cory	0	9	8	—
Paid Nathaniel Peirce for Keeping a Reading & Wrighting School two months the Last winter . . .	2	8	0	0
Paid John Flagg for Boarding Nathan^{ll} Peirce two months	2	8	0	—
Paid Benj^{m}. Peirce for window Curtains and Repairing the funarel Cloth	2	3	10	1
Paid Josiah Seaverns for 50 feet of Plank for the New Bridge	1	10	0	—
Paid Doc Starr for Doctring widow Partridge . .	2	7	0	—
and also twenty Eight Shillings for Doc widow Cathrine Cory	1	8	0	—
Paid Josiah Starr for Doc widow Partridge . . .	1	14	4	—
and also for Doc Benj^{m}. Stimson	0	9	8	—

Paid Joel Smith for Keeping School two months & Boarding him Self	4	16	0	—
Paid Sam^{ll} Fisk for meal for Sam Cory	0	3	8	
Paid Sam^{ll} Child for his Daug^{r} Esthers Keeping School 16 weaks at South East School	3	16	9	2
Paid Benj^{m}. Peirce for a table for South West School & Repairing Center School & 2 Locks . . .	0	10	3	—
Paid Uriah Grigory for 112 feet of Plank & for 73 feet of String Peaces for town Bridge	1	4	8	2
Paid James Stimson for Boarding Master Prentice 9 weak a 6/8 per weak	3	0	0	—
Paid Sam^{ll} Baldwin for what the town granted for Supporting the Poor	3	5	10	3
Paid School master Prentice for Keeping the Grammer School from 26 Janu^{r} to the 9 of march . . .	2	10	0	—
Paid Isaac Hobbs for meat for Sam^{ll} Cory . . .	0	11	11	—
Paid my Self for 144 feet of Plank for the town Bridges	0	17	2	—
Paid By aSignment in Constable Peirce List . .	5	9	10	—
Paid By abatement of Thos Peirces Rates in Constable Peirce List	1	1	3	—
	£120	11	6	3

We the Subscribers Being apointed by the Selectmen have Examined the fore Going accounts and find them well vouched and wright Cast and there Remains in the Treasurers Hand £3—19—4—2

SAM^{LL} BALDWIN
WESTON March 5 : 1774 THO^{s} RUSSELL

There Remains in the Hands of David Stairns former Constable	£6	6	5	2
There Remains in the Hands of Sam^{ll} Train Late Constable	5	1	10	1
There Reamins in the Hands of Nathan Hobbs Late Constable	5	1	8	1
There Remains in the Hands of Benj^{m}. Peirce Late Constable	70	8	11	2
There Remains in the Hands of Thaddeus Spring Present Constable	122	14	0	0
There Remains in the Hands of Mathew Hobbs Present Constable	119	6	0	—
	328	18	11	2

3 Voted there Swine go at Large Being well Regulated

4 Voted to Repair their High ways by a Rate and voted the Sum of one Hundred and Sixty Pounds to be assesed on the Inhabitants & worked out by the Same Rule as Last year

5 Voted to accept of the List of Juriors as Read of & 23 first be in the first Box

6 Voted to Chuse a Committe of three persons viz Coll° Elisha Jones m^r Abraham Bigelow & Capt Braddyll Smith to be a Committe to Joyn with Such as Watertown & Waltham Shall Chuse or Such as Waltham only Shall Chuse to Petition the great & Generall Court for Some Relief and asistance in Repairing & maintaining the Great Bridge over Charles River in Watertown Respecting the three towns Extraordnary Charge or Respecting Weston & Waltham only.

[116.] 7 Voted to accept of the Overseers accounts as Read off for what the Poor have had as by there accounts on file

8 it was Put to vote to know the Minde of the town if they Pay Israel Whitemors account and it Passed in the Negetive Then it was Put to vote to know the minde of the town if they aLough Israel Whitemores account in the Next high way Rate and it Passed in the affairmetive

9 Voted to act on the Petition of Josiah Starr and others

Voted to take the School Houses mentioned in Said Petition into the towns Hands and Repair them for the futer

it was Put to vote to know the minde of the town if they will Chuse a Committe upon this Petition and it Passed in the Negetive

it was Put to vote to know the mind of the town if they will Pay the Subscribers that Bult the two School Houses what the other two School Houses Cost and it Passed in the Negetive

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the town of Weston Quallified according to the Royall Charter to vote in the Choice of a Representive Being assembled at the Publick meeting House in Said town on Monday the Sixteenth Day of May AD 1774 at one oClock in the afternoon the Major Part of the Electors then Present Did in the Presence of the Selectmen Elect and Depute Elisha Jones Esqr to Serve for &

Represent them in a great and General Court or assembly appointed to be Convened held & Keept for his Majestys Service at the Court House in Boston upon Wednesday the Twenty fifth Day of may Currant

At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town Weston Duly Quallified and Lawfully Warned in publick Town meeting assembled on Monday the Twenty Second Day of August AD 1774 at one oClock in the after noon at the Publick meeting House in Said Town then and there

1 To Grant money to Pay the Rev^{d} m^{r} Sam^{ll} Woodwards Sallary for one year Begining Sep^{tr} 25 : AD 1774 and also to make Provision for his fire Wood for Said year

2 To Hear the Town Creditors accounts and act thereon

3 To Grant money to Support Schooling and Defray the usual Charges of the Town

4 To Know the Minde of the Town if they will make any further Provision for Schooling then the Grammer School and if So how Much and what Meothad for the year Ensewing

5 To Know the minde of the Town if they will make the Same Grant to m^{r} Woodward as Last year over and above his yearly Sallary

[117.] 6 To Know the minde of the Town if they will Give Liberty to Elisha Harrington and John Flagg to Build them Stables on the Towns land in Some Convenant Place neer the meeting House

7 To Know the mind of the Town if they will alough Israel Whittemore £1 ; 6 ; 10 for Drills Pouder & Labour that he Layed out on the Highways over his Rates in Blowing Rocks that were in the Roads in his Districts

8 To Know the minde of the Town if they will abate the Rates of Joseph Cory which is £0—9—2—0 and also the Rates of Epharim Peirce which is £0—9—2 all in the List of Constable Saml Trains

9 To Hear the accounts of the Overseers of the Poor that were omited Last year and act thereon

10 To Hear the Petition of Sam^{ll} Train and others Relaiting to the School Houses and act thereon

Then the voters Proceeded to Bring in their votes for a Moderator and upon Examining the Same it appars that Mr Josiah Smith Was Chosen Moderator

1 Voted by Said Town that they Grant the Revd Mr Samuel Woodward Sixty Six Pounds thirteen Shillings and four Pence for his Sallary for one year Begining the 25 of Septr AD 1774 and also twelve Pounds to Enable him to Provide his fire wood Said year

2 Then the Town Creditors accounts were Read off and accepted as followeth viz

	£	S	D	Q
To Capt Samll Baldwin to 17 1/2 Days taking Invoice & Making Rates at 2s/ per Day 35s to Paper to make the Rates on 3s/4 in 1773	1	18	4	
to Thaddeus Spring for Warning 5 Town meetings a 2s/ Each 10s to Sallary for Serving Constable 10s/ .	1	0	0	
To Lieut Abraham Jones to 9 1/2 Days taking Invoice and making Rates a 2s/ per Day 19s/ in 1773 . .	0	19	0	
To Lieut Nathan Hobbs to 6 Days making Rates a 2s/ per Day 12s/	0	12	0	
	£4	9	4	

3 Voted By the Inhabitants at Said meeting one Hundred and Sixty Pounds to be assessed to Defray the usual Charges of Said Town

4 Voted to have a Reading & Wrighting School Two months in Each School House in the Winter Season all to Begin at one and the Same time as Near as may be

5 Voted by the Inhabitants of Said Town to Give mr Woodward £13 : 6 : 8 over his yearly Sallary for one year from Sept 25 1774

6 Voted By the Inhabitants of Said Town that they Give Liberty to Elisha Harrington John Flagg Estus How & Joseph Whitney to Build Stables for their use at the East End of the New Stables that were Built Mesr Stratton Baldwin & Jones

7 It was Put to vote to know the minde of the Town if they aLough Israel Whittemore £1 : 16—10 for Labour in Blowing Rocks and for Pouder in his District and it Passed in the Negetive — and it was voted that they will aLough him Said Whitte-

more one Pound Sixteen Shillings in the High way Rate Part in the Present year and the Remaining Part in the Next years High way Rates

[118.] 8 Voted by Said Town to abate the Rates of Joseph Cory which is 9s/ 2d and also the Rates of Epharim Peirce which is 9s/ 2d in Constable Samll Trains List

9 Voted by Said Town to Pay the overseers account that was Omitted Last March which is £4—14—8—2

10 Voted By Said Town that they Grant the Petition of Samll Train and others Relaiting to the School Houses and voted to Chuse a Committe to Estamate the Cost and aJust the accounts of Said Houses voted that there be three on Said Committe viz Capt Braddyll Smith Capt John Mirick Docr Josiah Starr and to Report at Next march meeting

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified according to the Royall Charter To vote in the Choice of a Representive Being assembled at the Publick Meeting House in Said Town on Thursday the Twenty ninth Day of Septr AD 1774 at one oClock in the afternoon The major Part of the Electers then Present Did in the Presence of the Selectmen Elect and Depute Capt Braddyll Smith to Serve for and Represent them in a great and General Court or assembly appointed to be Convened Held and Keept for His majestys Service at the Court House in Salem upon Wednesday the fifth Day of october Next

At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duly Quallified and Lawfully Warned in Publick Town meeting assembled at the Public meeting House in Said Town on Thursday the Twenty ninth Day of Septr AD 1774 at Two oClock in the afternoon then and there

1 To Know the minde of the town if they will Chuse a member or members to meet and act with Such other members as Shall be Chosen by other Towns to meet in a Provincel Congress to be Holden at Concord or Eles Whare on the Second Teusday of october next

2 To Know the minde of the Town if they will Chuse a

Committe of Corrospondance and to Give them Instructions if the Town Shall think Proper

The voters Proceeded to bring in there votes for a moderator and m^{r} JOSIAH SMITH was Chosen

1 it was Put to vote by yeas and nays to know the minde of the town Wheather they Send a Committe to the Provincial Congress to be holden at Concord on the Second Teusday of october next and it Passed in the affermetive

it was Put to vote to Know the mind of the Town How many they will have on Said Committe and Passed to Have two viz Mr Josiah Smith and Sam^{ll} Ph Savage were Chosen

2 it was Put to vote to Know the minde of the Town if they will Chuse a Committe of Corrospondance and it Passed in the affairmetive voted to have three in Said Committe and Mes^{rs} Benj^{m}. Peirce Deacon Thomas Upham and Sam^{ll} Baldwin were Chosen for Said Committe

voted not to Give Instructions

Voted that Capt Braddyll Smith the Representive by Joyned to the Delegates to act at the Provencial Congress to be holden at Concord on the Second Tuesday of october Next

1775

[119.] At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duly Quallified and Lawfully Warned in Publick Town meeting assembled on monday the Second Day of January AD 1775 at Ten oClock Before noon at the Publick meeting House in Said Town then & there

1 To Know the minde of the Town if they will make a Grant of the Same Sume which Weston was Taxed to the Provience the Present year and to be made in the Same Rate with the other Town Grants and order the Same to be Paid into the Town Treasurers hand and that the Treasurer be ordered to Pay the Same Sume to Henry Gardner Esqr Provience Treasurer and Said Town Treasurer be ordered to take a Recet from Said Henry Gardner Esqr in full for Westons Proportion to the Provience Tax

2 To Know the minde of the Town if they will order the Constables or Collectors that have any Provience money in there hands to Pay the Same to Henry Gardner Esqr Provience Treasurer and take his Recet for the Same and they Shall be Defended by Said Town in So doing

3 To Know the minde of the Town if they will Chuse a Committe of Inspection to See that the advice of the Continantal and Provincicel Congress Reletive to Nonimportation a Greement be Strictly adheard too

Then the Town Proceeded to Bring in there vots for a moderator and upon Examing the Same it appeared that m^r JOSIAH SMITH was Chosen Moderator for Said meeting

1 It was Put to vote to Know the minde of the Town if they will make a Grant of Forty five pounds Six Shillings & Six Pence it being the Same Sume which is Westons Proportion to the Provience Tax for AD 1774 and to be made in the Same Rate with the other Town Grants and order the Same to be Payed into the Town Treasurers Hand and ordered the town Treasurer to Pay the Same Sume to Henry Gardner Esqr Provience Treasurer or his Successor in Said office and Said Town Treasurer to take a Recet of Said Provience Treasurer in full of Westons Proportion to the Provience Tax for Said year and it Passed in the affairmetive

2 It was Put to vote to Know the minde of the Town if they will order the Constables or Collectors that have any Provience money in there Hands to Pay the Same to Henry Gardner Esqr Provience Treasurer or his Successor in Said office and take his Recet for the Same and they Shall be Defended by Said Town in So doing after they have So Done and it Passed in the affairmetive

3 It was Put to vote to Know the minde of the Town if they will Chuse a Committe of Inspection and it Passed in the affairmetive and voted to have three and mes^r John Allen Israel Whittemore & William Whitney were Chosen said Committe

[120.] At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified according to the Royall

Charter to vote in the Choice of a Representtive Being Legaly assembled at the Publick meeting house in Said Town on Monday the Second Day of January AD 1775 at one oClock in the afternoon the Major Part of the Electors then Present Did in the Presence of the Selectmen Elect and Depute Co^{ll} Braddyll Smith to Serve for and Represent them at a Provincial Congress to be Holden at Cambridge the first Day of Feb^{r} next By a unanamiss vote and So to Continue by adjoyrnment if need be untill Teusday next Preceding the Last Wensday in May next

At a meeting of the Freeholder and othere Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duly Quallified and Lawfuly warned in Publick Town meeting assembled on Monday the Sixth Day of March AD 1775 at ten oClock before noon at the Publick Meeting House in Said town then and there

1 To Chuse Selectmen and other Town officers for the year Ensewing that are by Law Required

2 To Hear the Town Treasurers accounts for the year past and act thereon

3 To Know the minde of the town wheather there Swine Shall go at Large the year Ensewing

4 To Know the minde of the town wheather they will Repair there High ways by a Rate the year Ensewing and if So Grant money therefor

5 To Hear and act upon a List Prepaired for the Jury Box

6 To Hear the accounts of the overseers of the Poor and act thereon

7 To Know the minde of the Town if they will abate the Rates of Thomas Flagg in Constable Benj^{m}. Peirce List which is £0 : 9 : 11 : 0

8 To Hear the Report of the Committe Relaiting the School Houses and act thereon

The Town Proceded to Bring in there Votes for a Moderator and upon Examining the Same it Appearded that Mr Josiah Smith was Chosen Moderator of Said meeting & the following Persons were Chosen Town officers for the year Ensewing viz

Selectmen	JOSIAH SMITH THOMAS UPHAM BENJ^M. PEIRCE THOMAS RAND SAM^LL BALDWIN	
Town Clerk	SAM^LL BALDWIN	Sworn March 6
Town Treasurer	SAM^LL LAMSON	Sworn March 6
Constables	SAMUEL LIVERMORE JONATHAN FISK	Sworn March 17 Sworn March 6
Assessors	BRADDYLL SMITH SAMUEL BALDWIN JOSIAH STEDMAN	Sworn March 14 Sworn March 13 Sworn March 6
Wardens	LEMUEL JONES ISAIAH BULLARD JOHN WRIGHT	 Sworn March 20 Sworn March 6
Servayors of High ways & Collector of the Same	SAM^LL BALDWIN PHINEHAS UPHAM MATHEW HOBBS JOHN WHITEHEAD JAMES HASTINGS	Sworn March 13 Sworn March 14 Sworn March 6
[121.] Tythingmen	JOSEPH PEIRCE NATHAN HOBBS	Sworn March 6
Hoggreaves	JOHN WARREN JU^R JOSEPH LOVEWELL	Sworn March 6
Preservers of Deer	ISAIAH BULLARD DANIEL STRATTON	Sworn March 14 Sworn March 20
Field Drivers	JAMES SMITH JU^R ISAAC STRATTON	Sworn March 6 Sworn March 14
Fence viewers	SEMEON SMITH JONATHAN WARREN	Sworn March 14 Sworn March 6
Sealers of Leather	BENJ^M. PEIRCE THOMAS RUSSELL	Sworn March 6
Servayors of Bords & Lumber &c	DANIEL STRATTON JOEL SMITH	Sworn March 20 Sworn March 6

voted that JOSIAH CARY take Care of the Meeting house for 24^s/

2 Then the Town Treasurers account was Read off and accepted as Read off

The account of Capt Samll Lamson Treasurer for Weston from the 7 of March 1774 to the 6 of March 1775

	£	S	D	Q
Recd of Constable Nathan Hobbs in full . . .	5	1	8	1
Recd of Constable Benjm. Peirce in Part . . .	54	8	6	2
Recd of Constable Thaddeus Spring in Part . . .	77	0	0	0
Recd of Constable Mathew Hobbs in Part . . .	83	4	8	0
Recd of Constable David Stairns in Part . . .	4	5	4	0
Recd of Constable Samll Train in full	5	1	10	1
Recd of William Whitney in Part of Intrest for his Bond	2	12	4	0
Recd of Josiah Smith one year Interest of his Bond .	1	6	6	2
Recd of John Flagg one years Interest on his Note .		13	2	—
	233	14	1	2
Paid to Sundry Persons by order the following Sums viz				
Paid to mr John Allen one of the overseers of the Poor	15	19	8	0
Paid to Elisha Jones Esqr one of the overseers of the Poor	4	1	3	1
Paid to Benjm. Jones for Bording Schoolmaster Allen 8 1/2 weaks	2	16	8	0
Paid to my Self for Bording Schoolmaster Allen 4 months	5	13	2	0
Paid David Stedman for Keeping a Reading & Wrighting School Two months & Bording him Self . .	4	16	0	0
Paid Samll Woodward jur for Keeping a Reading and Wrighting School Two months and Bording him Self	4	16	0	0
Paid James Stimson for Bording Benjm. Stimson 12 weaks	3	12	0	0
Paid Doc Josiah Starr for Bording Schoolmaster Hobert two months	2	14	0	0
Paid Jonas Harrington jur for 374 feet of Plank for Watertown Bridge	3	14	9	3
Paid Joel Smith for Keeping a Reading & Wrighting School two months & Bording him Self North Est house	4	16	0	0
Paid Uriah Grigory for Bording Schoolmaster Allen two months	2	12	3	2
Paid John Mirick for Malt for for Sam Cory . .	0	1	8	—
Paid Sarah Rand for Keeping School in the South East School house	0	19	2	0
Paid Thos Rand for one Day work at the Great Bridge in Watertown	0	4	8	0

Paid Joseph Russell for Keeping for Keeping School & Bording him Self Two moth in N West . .	4	16	0	0
Paid John Mirick for Plank for Watertown Bridge & for Steps for the meeting House	1	13	2	3
Paid Benj^{m}. Dudley for Bording goody Cory . .	2	6	0	0
	65	12	6	1

[122.] Brought from the Last Page	65	12	6	1
Paid Sam^{ll} Baldwin fro making Rates and for whate he Provided for the Poor	3	1	1	0
Paid Thos Rand by order	2	17	1	0
Paid Josiah Cary for the Care of the meeting house one year	1	4	0	0
Paid By Asignment in Constable Hobbs List . .	4	14	4	0
Paid Jonathan Bullard for Providing & Bording School master two months	4	16	0	0
Paid John Allen one of the overseers of the Poor .	5	00	10	2
Paid Thos Rand for Building & finding Stuff for a School house in the South west Part of the town .	22	5	0	0
Paid Henry Coggin for Keeping & Clothing W^{m}. Partridg one year Ending 25 of April 1773 . . .	4	0	0	0
Paid Sam^{ll} Seaverns for making a Coot for Benj^{m}. Stimson	0	3	4	0
Paid Benj^{m}. Peirce for Preambelating & a Book for the use of the town	0	8	10	0
Paid Benj^{m}. Peirce for helping Carrying a Log to mill & for Sawing the Plank	0	6	10	3
Paid William Whitney for Bording a School master .	3	4	9	0
Paid School master Prentice	6	0	0	0
Paid Henry Coggin	4	5	4	0
Paid Henry Coggin for Keeping W^{m}. Partridge one year Ending March 7 1774	4	6	3	0
Paid W^{m}. Whitney for Bording School master Hobert Two months	2	12	4	0
Paid Rev^{d} m^{r} Sam^{ll} Woodward the Remainder of his Sallary Ending 25 Sep^{t} 1773	14	18	2	0
Paid Rev^{d} m^{r} Sam^{ll} Woodward towards his Sallary & fire wood Ending 25 Sep^{t} 1774	70	8	9	2
Paid Josiah Smith for Preamblaiting & helping get a Log to mill	0	8	4	0
Paid Thad^{s} Spring for warning 5 town meeting & for Sallary for Serving Constable in 1773 . . .	1	0	0	0
Paid Sam^{ll} Train by the abatement of Joseph Corys Rates in his List and also by the abatement of Epharim Peirces Rats in S^{d} List	0	18	4	0

Paid Sam^{ll} Train for Warrning w^{m}. Graves & others out of Town	0	2	8	0
Paid School master Allen for Keeping School three months	6	0	0	0
Paid Aaron Jones for Measurers for the towns use	0	4	8	0
Paid School master Allen for Keeping School Six months	6	0	0	0
Paid School master Allen in Part of an order that Remains in his hand	1	4	0	0
	£236	3	8	0

We the Subscribers Being appointed by the Selectmen have Examined the foregoing accounts and find the will vouched and wright Cast and there Remains Due to the Treasurer to Ballance £2 · 9 : 6 : 2

JOSIAH SMITH
WESTON March 3 1775 BENJ^{M}. PEIRCE
SAM^{LL} BALDWIN

There Remains in the Hands of David Stairns Late Constable	2	1	1	2
There Remains in the Hand of Benj^{m}. Peirce Late Constable	16	0	5	0
There Remains in the hand of Thaddeus Spring Late Constable	45	14	0	0
There Remains in the Hand of Mathew Hobbs Late Constable	36	1	4	0
There Reamins in the Hand of Thaddeus Spring Present Constable	156	16	1	0
There Remains in the Hand of Thomas Russell Present Constable	140	10	5	
There Remains in the Hand of Co^{ll} Brad^{ll} Smith Late Treasurer	3	19	4	2
	£401	2	9	—

3 voted to Have there Swine go at Large Being well Regulated

4 voted to Repair there High ways by a Rate the year Ensewing and Granted one Hundred Pounds therefor to be worked out at the Same Rate as Last year

5 voted to accept of the List of Juriors as Read off

6 voted to accept the accounts of the overseers of the Poor as Read off as on file

and Doc Starrs account for the Poor as on file

7 voted to abate the Rates of Thos Flagg in Constable Benj^{m}. Peirce List which is £0—9^{s}—11^{d}—0

8 voted to accept the Report of the Committe Relaiting the School houses and Cost of Building as Read off as per the accounts on file

[123.] At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified according to the Royall Charter to vote in the Choice of a Representive Being Legaly assembled at the Publick meeting House in Said Town on Thursday the Twenty fifth of May Instant AD 1775 at Two oClock in the afternoon the Major Part of the Electors then Present Did in the Presence of the Selectmen Elect and Depute Co^{ll} Braddyll Smith to Serve for and Represent them at a Provinciel Congress to be Holden at Watertown on 31 first of may Instant and So to Continue by a Joyrnment if need be Six months from their being first Convened on the Thirty first of this Instant may and no Longer to Consult Deliberate and Resolve upon Such further Measurs as under god Shall be Effectual to Save this People from Ruin

At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston agreable to the advice of the Continentell and Provinciel Congresses and in observience of a Precept from the Provinciel Congress Directed to the Selectmen Being Legealy assembled at the Publick meeting House in Said town for the Choice of a Representive, on Monday the tenth Day of July AD 1775 at four oClock in the afternoon the Major Part of the Electors then Present Being Quallified according to Law to vote in the Choice of a Representive Did in the Presence of the Selectmen Elect and Depute Co^{ll} Braddyll Smith to Serve for and Represent them in a great & general Court or assembly to be Convened held and Keept for the Service of the Said Coloney at Watertown upon Wednesday the 19 Day of July next and So on untill the End of the Day Next Preceeding the Last Wednesday in may Next if necessary and no Longer.

At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified by Law to vote In town affairs

Reguarley assembled at the Publick meeting House in Said Town on Monday the 23 Day of oct^{r} AD 1775

1 To Grant Money to Pay the Revd Mr Sam^{ll} Woodwards Sallary for one year Beginning the 25 of Sep^{t} AD 1775 and also to Make Provision for his firewood for Said year

2 To Hear the Town Credditors accounts and acct thereon

3 To Grant Money to Support Schooling and Defray the usual Charges of the Town

4 To Know the Minde of the Town if they will Make any further Provison for Schooling then the Grammer School & if So how much and what meathod for the year Ensewing

5 To Know the minde of the Town if they will make the Same Grant to m^{r} Woodward as Last year over and above his yearly Saliary

6 To Hear the acccount of Co^{ll} Braddyll Smith for his Service at the Provinceill Congresses and act thereon

Then the votes for a Moderator was Called for and m^{r} Josiah Smith was chosen

1 Voted by Said Town that they Grant the Rev^{d} m^{r} Sam^{ll} Woodward Sixty Six Pounds thirteen Shillings & 4^{d}/ as Sallary for one year Beginning the 25 of Sep^{t} AD 1775 and also voted Twelve Pounds for his fire wood Said year

[124.] 2 Voted to accept of the Town Creditors accounts as Read off which is as Followeth viz

	£	S	D
To Mathew Hobbs Lat Constabl to Warning 4 Town Meetings a 2^{s}/ Each 8^{s}/ to Sallary for Serveing Constable 10^{s}/	0	18	—
To Co^{ll} Braddyll Smith Thirteen Days making Raits & taking Invoice	1	6	0
To Capt Sam^{ll} Baldwin to Fourteen Days & half making Raits & taking Invoice a 2^{s}/ per Day 29^{s}/ & Paper to make the Rates on 3^{s}/ 4^{d}	1	12	4
To Josiah Stedman to Six Days making Raits a 2^{s}/ per Day 12		12	—
To Thaddeus Spring to warning 5 Town meetings in 1774 a 2^{s}/ Each 10^{s}/ to Sallar for Serving as Constable 10/	1	—	—

3 Voted the Sum of Two Hundred Pounds for Schooling and to Defray the usual Charges of Said Town Said year

4 Voted to Have a Reading and Wrighting School as Last year

5 Voted m^r Woodward £13 : 6 : 8 over and above his yearly Sallary for this year

6 Voted to Put this artickle off to Some futter Meeting

1776.

[125.] At a meeting of the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duly Qualified and Lawfully waned In publick Town meeting assembled on Munday the 4 Day of March AD 1776 at Ten oClock before Noon at the Publick Meeting House in Said Town then and there

1 To Chuse Selectmen and also a Committe of Corrospond Inspection & Safety and other Town offices for the year Ensuing that are by Law Required

2 To hear the Town Treasurers accounts for the Year Past and act thereon

3 To know the minds of the Town whether their Swine shall go large the year Ensewing

4 To know the minds of the Town Wheather they will Repair their High way by a Rate the year Ensewing and if so grant Money therefor

5 To hear and act upon a List Prepaired for the Jury Box

6 To hear the account of Co^ll. Braddyll Smith for his attendence at the Congresses and act thereon

The Town proceded to bring in their Votes for a Moderator and upon Examing the same it appeared that Mr Josiah Smith was Chosen Moderator

it was put to vote to know the mind of the Town if they will ajourn this Meeting to the 18 Day of March Instant at Ten oClock before Noon and the Moderator Declared s^d. Meeting ajourned accordingly

Selectmen
- Thos. Upham
- Benj^a. Peirce
- Thos. Rand
- Israel Whittemore
- Jon^a. Underwood

Committee of Corrospond&c Voted to have 5 for s^d^ Committe	C — SAM^LL^ BALDWIN D — THO^S^ RUSSELL M SAM^LL^. LAMSON D^r^. JOSIAH STARR I MATTHEW HOBBS	
Town Clerk	JOEL SMITH	Sworn March 21st.
Town Treasurer	SAM^LL^ LAMSON	Sworn March 21st.
Constables	DANIEL LIVERMORE JOHN FLAGG was Chosen & Excused & Votes was Called for another and JONAS PEIRCE was Chosen	Sworn March 21st. Sworn March 21st.
Assessors	ABR^M^. JONES JOSEPH RUSSELL MATTHEW HOBBS	Sworn March 21st. Sworn March 21st. Sworn March 21st.
Wardens	Voted not to Chuse any & Reconsidered JOEL SMITH INCRESE LEADBETTER SIMEON SMITH	 Sworn March 21st.
Surveyors & Collectors of High ways	Voted not to Chuse any Surveyors.	
Tythingmen	ISAAC MIRICK JONATHAN STRATTON JU^R^.	Sworn March 21st.
[126.] Hogreaves	ISAAC JONES JU^R^. BENJ^A^. FULLER	Sworn March 21st.
Preservers of Deer	SAM^EL^. LIVERMORE ISAAC STRATTON	
Field Drivers	SIMEON SMITH NATHAN HAGER	 Sworn March 21st.
Fence Viewers	URIAH GREGORY JAMES SMITH	Sworn March 21st.
Sealers of Leather	THADD^S^. SPRING JOSEPH RUSSELL	 Sworn March 21st
Surveyors of Boards Shingles &c	DANIEL STRATTON JOEL SMITH	Sworn March 21st.

To Take Care of the Meeting House JOSIAH CARY

2 Voted to accept of the Town Treasurers accounts as Read off

3 Voted their Swine go at Large being Regulered according to Law

4 Voted not to act thereon

5 Voted to accept of a list of Juriours as Read off

6 Voted that Col^{n}. Braddyll Smith by Loughed 4^{s}/ per Day for his Service at the Congress being 137 Days

The account of Major Sam^{ll}. Lamson Treasurer for Weston from March 3^{d}. 1775 to March 2^{d}. 1776 as followeth viz

	£	S	D	Q
Rec^{d}. of Constable Benjn. Peirce in Part . . .	11	2	2	3
Rec^{d}. of Constable Mathew Hobbs in Part . . .	31	15	7	1
Rec^{d}. of Constable Thaddeus Spring in Part . .	108	—	3	1
Rec^{d}. of Constable Thos. Russel in Part . . .	78	7	7	—
Rec^{d}. of Sam^{el}. Train ju^{r}. the Interest due on his Note	2	12	8	—
Rec^{d} of Capt. John Flagg the Interest due on his Note		13	2	—
Rec^{d}. of M^{r}. Josiah Smith for the wood that lay by the meeting House		2	8	—
Rec^{d}. of M^{r}. Benj^{a}. Peirce for Pork & Cheese that was left with him at the alaram		14	6	—
Rec^{d}. of Capt. Sam^{el}. Baldwin for the use of Two Guns Belonging to the Town		12	—	—
Rec^{d}. of the Selectmen of s^{d}. Town for Powder & Ball & Flints	23	10	2	3
Rec^{d}. of M^{r}. Josiah Smith one Bond Principal and Interest	23	8	8	—
	280	19	7	0
P^{d}. to the following Persons as followeth viz				
P^{d}. Capt. Sam^{el}. Baldwin for bording School Master Hobert	4	3	4	
P^{d}. Benj^{a}. Dudley for Bording Widow Cory Last year	4	—	—	
P^{d}. Benj^{a}. Dudley for Bording Widow Cory in Part .		12	—	
P^{d}. Josiah Cary for the Care of the Meeting House .	1	4	—	
P^{d}. Joel Smith for keeping a Reading & Writing School 2 Months & Bording him Self in the Senter School House 1774	4	16	—	
P^{d}. M^{r}. Thomas Rand for Provision for Coolidge & a Coffin for Benj^{m}. Stimson	2	13	2	
P^{d}. M^{as}. W^{m}. Hobert for keeping a Gramer School in 1774 four Months	8	17	11	
P^{d}. Benj^{a}. Jones for Clothing for the Poor . . .	1	1	10	
	27	8	3	

	£	S	D	Q
[127.] Brought over	27	8	3	
Pd. Doctr. Josiah Starr for Doctering the Poor to March 1775	5	9	4	
Pd. Christopher Capron for keeping Merriam Partrige from march 1775 to the 5 of Novr. following & Nursing & for Clothing	2	15	—	
Pd. Elisabeth Stimson for keeping Benja. Stimson weeks 30 & Nursing him in Sickness and for things to lay him out &c	9	18	—	
Pd. John Allen one of the overseers of the Poor . .		18	—	
Pd. Jonas Harrington jur. for 513 feet of Plank for Watertown Bridge	5	2	7	1
Pd. Christopher Capron for Bording Widow Partridge one year & Nursing her	3	14	8	
Pd. Wm. Hobert for keeping the Gramer School 4 Months	8	17	9	3
Pd. Benja. Dudley for Bording Widow Cory In full to March 6 1775	3	12	1	
Pd. Joseph Russel for Repairing the North East School House		4	10	
Pd. Joseph Russel for keeping a Reading & Writing School & boarding himself and Repairing the North East & North West School Houses . .	4	19	10	
Pd. Capt. John Mirick for fetching School Master Hobert & for Preambelating the Town Line himself & Jona. Underwood & for Timber for Slepers Expence at Watertown	1	14	0	
Pd. Isaac Flagg for keeping a Reading School & Bording himself 6 Weeks	3	12	0	
Pd. Thos. Upham for himself & Abijah Stedman Preamblating to the Town with Needham . . .		4	0	0
Pd. Thos. Upham for Timber & Plank for the New Bridge & for Pork for Josiah Cooledge . . .	4	1	1	0
Pd. Jona. Eames for keeping School in Part . . .	5	6	8	0
Pd. Matthew Hobbs for Sallery for Serving as Constable & Warning 2 Town Meetings	0	18	0	0
Pd. Seth Pound for Doc Benja. Stimson . . .	1	—	—	
Pd. Thadds. Spring for Serving Constable & warning 5 Town Meetings	1	—	—	
Pd. by a Signment what was aLoughed to Several Persons on South Sid for School House . . .	24	4	10	
Pd. Benja. Peirce for what he provided for the Poor the Year Past	6	12	2	1
Pd. Mr. Isaac Hurd for keeping School one Month & 3 Days & Bording himself	3	13	1	
Pd. Samel. Woodward jur. for keepend School in the South East School House & Bording himself .	3	4	—	

Pd. Thomas Rand for Triming Bollets & Sorting them & Boxes to put them in	1	6	8	
Pd. Mr. Ebenezer Allen for keeping School two months in Part	2	16	—	
Pd. William Hobert for Keeping School one month .	2	10	5	
Pd. Joel Smith for one Fire Lock for the Use of the Town	2	13	4	
Pd. Mr. Josiah Smith for Pramblating & Plank . .		8	4	
Mr. Josiah Smith for meet for Coolledge . .		18	10	
Pd. Joel Smith for keeping School two Months & Bording himself	4	16	—	
Pd. Jona. Stratton for 48 feet of White Oake Plank .		11	3	
Pd. Capt. Samel. Baldwin for making Rates & takeing Invoice	1	12	4	
Pd. Nathel. Allen for Keeping School Two Months & Bording himself	4	16	—	
Pd. Jona. Stratton for what he provided for the Poor .	3	4	—	
Pd. Capt. Samuel Baldwin for expences at the Settlement of Great Bridge		5	3	
Pd. Daniel Coledge for Bording his Father from 18th. Sept. 1775 to the 18th. of March 1776 it being 26 Weaks at 4/6 pr. Weak	5	17	—	
Pd. Revd. Mr Samel. Woodward ye. remainder of his Sallary End Sept. 1774	21	11	1	2
Pd. Revd. Mr. Samel. Woodward in full for his Sallery & fire wood and a Grant of 13—6—8 for 1775 End 25th. of Sept. 1775	92	—	—	—
Pd. my Self the Ballance Due Last year . . .	2	9	6	2
Pd. Elisabeth for Keeping Benja. Stimson 4 Weeks .	1	4	—	—
	277	10	4	1

[128.] We the Subscribers being appointed by the Selectmen have Examined the foregoing accounts and find them well vouched and Wright Cast & there Remains in the Treasurers Hands £3—7—2—3

WESTON March 18th. 1776

JOSIAH SMITH
BENJA. PEIRCE
SAMUEL BALDWIN

		£	S	D	Q
	Remains in Constable Stearns Hands . .	2	1	1	2
	Remains in Constable Benja. Peirce's Hands	4	18	2	1
There	Remains in Constable Mathew Hobbs's Hands	4	5	8	3
	Remains in Constable Thadds. Spring's Hands	94	9	9	3

	Remains in Constable Thos. Russells Hands .	62	2	10	0
	Remains in the Hands of Colⁿ. Braddyll Smith late Treasurer	3	19	4	2
There	Remains in Constable Samᵉˡ. Livermores Hands	150	7	8	0
	Remains in Constable Jonᵃ. Fisks Hands .	141	12	4	0
		463	17	0	3

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Sutably Qualified to Vote for a Representative being Legally warned Assembled at the Publick Meeting House on Munday yᵉ. 20ᵗʰ. Day of May at 3 oClock in the After noon AD 1776 the major part of them present did in the Presents of the Selectmen Make Choice of Colⁿ Braddyll Smith To serve for and Represent them in the Great and General Court to be convend held and kept at Watertown

At the same Meeting Viz on yᵉ. 20ᵗʰ. Day of May AD 1776 — Voted that Colⁿ. Smith should Use his Influence to Raise more men to Defend our lines against our Enemies

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston that are Suitably Qualified to Vote for a Representative being Legally Warned Assembled at the Meeting House on Tuesday yᵉ. 18ᵗʰ. of June 1776 to know the minds of the Town whether they will give their Representative Instructions to Use his Influance for Independance on Great Brittan if the honorable Congress think it best for the Interest of the Colonies

The Town voted in the Affermative

And also at the same meeting Voted that the Representative should not be paid out of the Publick Chest

Thomas Rand one of the Selectmen of the Town of Weston was appointed by the Rest of the Selectmen of sᵈ. Town to Assertain the Number of Persons in sᵈ. Town Desired by Congress and was Sworn June 10ᵗʰ. 1776

[129.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston that are suitably Qualified to Vote

in Town affairs being Legally warned assembled at the Meeting House in S^{d} Town on Munday the first Day of July AD 1776 to know the minds of the Town what further incouragement they will give those men that are to go to Canada

The Town brought in their Votes for a Moderator & it appeared that De^{c}: Thomas Upham was Chosen for s^{d}: Meeting

1 Voted to give further Incouragement than what the General Court has granted to those men that are to go to Canada

2 Voted to give £ 6—S 6—D 8 to each man as an addition to the bounty which the General Court granted to those that are to go to Canada this present time

3 Voted to Chuse a Committee to hire the Money which the Town Granted

The Committee
- Maj^{R}: Samel Lamson
- In^{E}: Isaac Hobbs
- Cap^{T}: John Warren

4 Voted that the meeting be adjourned till Wednesday the 3^{d}: July 1776 at the Meeting House at 5 oClock. p. m.

Upon the adjournment of the above the Town meet at the Meeting House at 5 oClock p m

then Voted that the meeting be adjourned till Thursday 4th. July 1776 at the Meeting House at 5 oClock p. m.

Upon the adjournment of the above the Town meet at the Meeting at 5 oClock p m

Voted that the Town Treasurer be Ordered and Directed to give his Securaty in behalf of the Town for a sum of Money for one Year at Six p^{r}. Cent p^{r}: Annum which the Town granted to those men that are to go to Canada this Time

At a Meting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston that one Suitably Qualified to vote in Town affairs (by a Number of the Inhabitants Desire) being Legally worned assembled at the Publick Meeting House on Munday 29th. July 1776 to know the minds of the Town wheather they

will take any other method to Raise those men that are to Ingage in the Continential Army than what is Prescribed by Congress

DEC: THOMAS UPHAM *Chosen Moderator*

1 Voted to give those five men that are to go to Canada some incouriagement

2 Voted to give £ 6 . . S 6 . . D 8 to those that are to go to Canada at this time

[130.]
3 Voted that { MAJOR SAMKL. LAMSON, CAPT. JOHN WARREN, ENST. ISAAC HOBBS } be a Committee to hire the money for the above persons

4 Voted to adjourn till Six in the afternoon

The Inhabitants then meet and Dissolved the Meeting

IN CONGRESS July 4th 1776 A DECLARATION by the REPRESENTATIVES of the UNITED STATES of AMERICA In GENERAL CONGRESS ASSEMBLED

When in Course of human Events, it becomes necessary for one People to dissolve the political Bonds which have connected them with another and to assume among the Powers of the Earth, the seperate & equal Station to which the Laws of Nature and of Natures God entitle them a decent Respect to the Opinions of Mankind requires that they should declare the Course which impel them to the Seperation.

We hold these truths to be Self-evident, that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalieable Rights, that among these are Life Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness: — That to secure these Rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just Powers from the consent of the Governed, that whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these Ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such Principles and organizing

its Powers in such Form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety & Hapines. Prudence, indeed will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light & transient Causes; and accordingly all Experience hath shewn, that Mankind are more disposed to suffer, while Evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the Forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long Train of Abuses & Usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object, evinces a Design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their Right, it is their Duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future Security. Such has been the patient Sufferants of these Colonies; and such is now the Necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Governent. The History of the present King of Great Britain is a Hisory of repeated Injuries & Usurpations, all having in direct Object an Establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this let facts be submitted to a candid World.

He has refused his assent to Laws, the most wholesome and necessary for the publick Good

He has forbidden his Governers to pass Laws of immediate and pressing Importants, unless suspended in their Operation until his Assent should be obtained; and when so suspended he has utterly neglected to attend to them.

He has refused to pass other Laws for the Accommodation of Large Districts of People, unless those People would relinquish the Right of Representation in the Legislature a Right inestimable to them & formidable to TYRANTS only.

He has called together Legislative Bodies at Places unsual, uncomfortable and distant from the Depository of their public Records, for the sole purpose of fatiguing them into Compliance with his Measures.

[131.] He has dissolved Representative Houses repeatedly, for opposing with MANLY FIRMNESS his Invasions on the Rights of the People.

He has refused for a long Time, after such Dissolutions, to cause others to be elected; whereby the Legislative Powers incapable of Annihilation have returned to the people at large

for their Exercise; the State remaining in the mean Time exposed to all the Dangers of Invasion from without and Convulsions within.

He has endeavoured to prevent the Population of these States; for that Purpose obstructing the Laws for Naturalization of Foreigners; refusing to pass others to encourage their Migrations hither, and raising the Conditions of new Appropriations of Lands.

He has obstructed the Administration of Justice by refusing his Assent to Laws for establishing Judiciary Powers.

He has made judges dependent on his Will alone, for the Tenure of their Offices and the Amount and Payment of their Salaries.

He has erected a multitude of New Officers, & Sent hither Swarms of Officers to harrass our People and eat out their Substance.

He has kept among us, in times of Peace, Standing Armies, without the Consent of our Legislatures.

He has affected to render the Military independent of & Superior to the Civil Power.

He has combined with others to Subject as to a Jurisdiction foreign to our Consitution. & Unacknowledged by our Laws; giving his Assent to their acts of pretended Legislation

For quartering large Bodies of armed Troops among us.

For protecting them by a Mock Trial, from Punishment for any Murders which they should commit on the Inhabitants of these States:

For cuting off our Trade with all parts of the World:

For impossing Taxes on us without our consent:

For depriving us, in many Cases, of the benefit Trial by Jury:

For transporting us beyound Seas to be tried for pretended Offences:

For abolishing the Free System of English Laws in neighbouring Province, establishing therein an arbitrary Government, and enlarging its Boundaries so as to render it at once an Example and fit Instrument for introducing the Same absolute Rule into these Colonies.

For taking away our Charters abolishing our most valuable Laws and altering fundamentally the Forms of our Governments:

For suspending our own Legislatures, and declareing themselves invested with Power to legislate for us in all Cases whatsoever.

He has abdicated Government here, by declareing us out of his Protection and waging War against us.

He has plundered our Seas, ravaged our Coasts burnt our Towns and destroyed the Lives of our People.

He is at this time transporting larg Armies of foreign Mercenaries to compleat the works of Death, Desolation and Tyranny already [132.] begun with Circumstances of Cruelty & Perfidy scarsely paralleled in the most barbarous Ages, and totally unworthy the Head of a civilized Nation.

He has constrained our Fellow Citizens taken Captive on the high Seas, to bear Armes against their Country; to become the Executioners of their Friends and Brethren or to fall themselves by their Hands.

He has excited Domestic Insurrections amongst us, and has endeavoured to bring on the Inhabitants of our Frountiers the Merciless Indian Savages, whose known Rule of Warfare, is an undistinguished Destruction of all Ages Sexes and Conditions.

In every Stage of these Oppressions we have Petitioned for Redress, in the most humble Terms: Our repeted Petitions have been answered only by repeted Injury! — A Prince whose Character is thus marked by every act which may define a Tyrant, is unfit to be the Ruler of a Free People!

Nor have we been wanting in Attention to our British Brothers. We have warned them from Time to Time of Attempts by their Legislature to extend on unwarrantable Jurisdiction over us. We have reminded them of the Circumstances of our Emigration and Settlement here. We have appealed to their native Justice and Magnanimity and we have conjured them by the Ties of our common Kindred to disavow those Usurpations which would inevitable interrupt our Connexions and Correspondence. They, too have been deaf to the Voice of Justice and of Consanguinity. We must, therefore asquiesce in the Necessity which denounces our Separation, and hold them as we hold the rest of Mankind Enemies in War; in Peace, Friends. We therefore, the Representatives of the United

States of America in General Congress assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the World for the Rectitide of our Intentions do, in the Name and by the Authority of the good People of these Colonies solemnly Publish and Declare, That these United Colonies are and of Right ought to be Free and Independants States; that they are absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown; and that all political Connexion between them and these States of Great Britain, is, and ought to be totally dissolved; and that as Free and Independent States, they have full Power to levy War, conlude Peace, contract Alliances, establish Commerce, and to do all other Acts and things which Independent States may of Right do. And for the Support of this Declaration, with a firm Reliance on the Protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our Sacred Honor.

Signed by Order and in Behalf of the Congress

John Hancock, *President*

[133.] In Council, July 17th, 1776.

Ordered, That the Declaration of Independence be printed; and a Copy sent to the Ministers of each Parish, of every Denomination within this State; and that they severally be required to read the same to their Respective Congregation, as soon as divine Service is ended, in the Afternoon, on the first Lords Day after they shall have received it: — And after such Publication thereof; to deliver the said Declaration to the Clerks of their several Towns or Districts; who are hereby required to record the same in their respective Town or Didtrict Books there to remain as a perpetual Memorial thereof.

In the Name, and by Order of the Council

R. Derby, *Jun President*

A true Copy Attest,

John Avery, *Dep. Sec'y*

Read in publick Sept: 8. 1776

p^r. Rev^d: Sam^el. Woodward Weston

A true Coppy from the Declaratision

Attest Joel Smith *Town Clerk for the Town of Weston*

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston being Qualified and Warned according to Law to Vote in Town affairs assembled at the Publick Meeting-House in s^{d}. Town on Munday the Twenty first Day of Oct^{o}. AD 1776 at one oClock in the afternoon —

1 To Grant Money to Pay the Rev^{d}. M^{r} : Sam^{el}. Woodward Sallary for one year begining Sep^{t} : 25th. 1776 and also to make Provision for his fire wood for said year —

2 To hear the Town Creditors accounts and act thereon —

3 To Grant Money to Support Schooling & Defray the usual charges of y^{e}. Town

4 To know the mind of the Town if they will make any further Provision for Schooling than the Gramer School and if so how much and what meathod for the Year Insewing —

[134.] 5 To know the minds of the Town if they will grant the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Sam^{el}. Woodward £13 . . 6 . . 8 or more over and above his usual Sallary for the present Year —

6 To know the minds of the Town if they will abate the Rates of Elish Cox in Constable Sam^{el}. Livermores List —

7 You are a like Requred to Notify the Inhabitants that they bring in their Credit if any they have to the Selectmen at the House of M^{r}. Benj^{a}. Peirce Inholder in Weston Thirsday Oct^{o}. 17th. 1776 at 6 oClock in the afternoon

And make Return hereof at or before the time appointed for s^{d}. Meeting with your doing to the Selectmen of s^{d}. town —

WESTON Oct^{o}. 14th. 1776

The Town Creditors Account in 1774 & 5

1774 to Dec^{n}. Thomas Russel his Sallery as Constable .	£0	10	0
to warning Seven Town Meetings	0	14	0
1775 to M^{r}. Sam^{el}. Livemore his Salery	0	10	0
to warning four Meetings	0	8	0
1775 to Capt. Jonathan Fisk his Sallery	0	10	0
to warning four Meetings	0	8	0
1775 to Capt. Sam^{el}. Baldwin for 5 Days makeing Highway Rates a 2/0 p^{r}. Day & writing 5 Warrants . . .	0	10	0
To 17 1/2 Days taking Invoice & making Rates & writing Warrants	1	15	0
To Paper to make the Rates on	0	3	4
1775 To Col^{n}. Braddyll Smith for making Rates 7 Day .	0	14	0
	£5	2	4

The Town brought in their Votes for a Moderator for s^{d}. Meeting

DECN. THOMAS UPHAM *Chosen*

£ S D

1 Voted to Give the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Sam^{el}. Woodward 66 . . 13 . . 4 as Sallary for one year begining 25 Sep^{t}. AD 1776 and also Twelve Pounds for his fire wood for said year —

2 Voted to Except the Town Creditors account as now read off

3 Voted Three Hundred Pounds to Support Schooling and defray the Usual Charges of the Town —

4 Voted that the School goes on as it hath for several Years back

5 Voted to give the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Sam^{el}. Woodward £13 . . 6 . . 8 over and above his Usual Salery —

[135.] 6 Voted to abate the Rates of Elisha Cox in Constable Sam^{el}. Livemores List —

At another meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston that are free and Twenty one Years old and warned according to Law assembled at the Publick meeting house on Munday Oct^{o}. 21st. AD 1776 at three oClock in the afternoon they then brought in their votes for a moderator and it appeared that DEC^{N} THOMAS UPHAM was Chosen

Voted not to act upon the hand Bill which was sent to the Town from the House of Representatives to know their minds if they consent that the House of Representatives with the Counse Shall Constatute a form of government

1777.

At a Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston that are Qualified by Law to Vote in Town affairs being Legally Warned Assembled at the Publick Meeting House on Munday y^{e}. 27th. Day of Jan^{u}. 1777 at one of the Clock. P. M. to hear the Petition of Josiah Smith Esqr. and others — The Town then brought in their Votes for a Moderator

DEC^{N}. THO^{s}. UPHAM *Chosen*

THE PETITION

To the Selectmen of the Town of Weston —
Gentlemen —

Be so good as to call a Town meeting as soon as may be to here the Petition of us the Subscribers and act thereon

"Whereas it is Difficult in Coming at Justice in Drafting men to go into the Service of the United States by a Common Draft we think it a more Just and Equitable way to come at Justice for the town to Chuse a Committe to hire Men whenever there shall be a Call for Men & to have them Paid by an Assesment on y^e^. Inhabitants & Estates by the same Rule that common Town Rates are made and Collected in the same way & y^e^. Money when Collected to be Delivered to s^d^. Committee in order to Pay y^e^. Men that they shall hire —

And also to make an Estimation of what Every Person has done in the Service of the War Since y^e^. 19th. of April AD. 1775 and Make an Assessment by the Rule above s^d^. to be made by the Present Valuation as soon as may be — And s^d^. Committee to Estimate the whole Sum of what every Person has Done & deliver the Sum total to the Assessors and a Rate to be made & y^e^. money Collected by the Rule above s^d^. & the money Delivered to s^d^. Committee & s^d^. Committee to Pay to Every Person what is his Just due s^d^. Committee to be accountable to s^d^. Town when ever Cal^d^. by s^d^. Town to Render an account & s^d^. Comittee when Chosen to stand during the Towns Pleasure

JOSIAH SMITH &c &c &c"

[136.] 1 Voted to act on the Petition —

2 Voted to Chuse a Committee to Estimate what every person has dun Since the 19th. of April 1775 —

3 Voted to Chuse five a a Committee —

Chose { JOHN WARREN, THO^S^. RAND, ABR^M^. JONES, ISAAC HOBBS, SAM^EL^. LIVERMORE } for s^d^. Committee

4 Voted s^{d}. Committee to Report on the 10th. of Feb^{r}. AD 1777 at which time said Meeting is aJorned to —

Feb^{r}. 10th. Voted to a Journ s^{d}. Meeting to 13th. at nine oClock in y^{e}. Mourning —

The Town met and Voted to Recommit the Report of the Committee & make an addition of fur to s^{d}. Committee —

Chose { Cor^{o}. Smith, John Lamson, Dec^{N}. Russell, Dec^{N}. Upham } for s^{d}. Recommitte

Voted to aJourn till four oClock of s^{d}. Day y^{e}. Inhabitants then met and

Voted to aJourn till the 17th. Day at one oClock in the afternoon —

Upon the ajournment of the Meeting afore mentioned the Town Assembled the 17th. of Feb^{r}. 1777 & Voted as followeth — Viz —

1 Voted not to begin at the first Article and so go through —

2 Voted not to Except of the Report of y^{e}. Committee as it now stands

3 Voted that Each man be allowed the Sum that he hath paid out either by paying a fine or by Hireing — And that Each man that was hired went for his hire —

4 Voted to allough Three Pounds to each man that were in the Service at Cambridge 8 Months —

5 Voted that Ten Pounds be alowed to each man that was in the Service Twelve Months and Marched to New York —

6 Voted that Eighteen Pounds be alowed to each man that was in y^{e}. Service Twelve Months and Marched to Canada —

7 Voted that Twelve Shillings be alowed to each man that was in y^{e}. Service two Months at Cambridge Feb^{r}. & March 1776 —

Turn over

[137.] brought over

8 Voted that five Pounds be alowed to each man that was in the Service five Months at Ticondaroga — And also that those

men that have not Rec^{d}. the Towns bounty be alowed to Receive it —

9 Voted that two Pounds 10^{s} be alowed to each man that was in the Service four Months at Boston —

10 Voted that five Pounds be alowed to each man that was in the Service two months at Horse Neck —

11 Voted that Seven Pounds 10^{s} be alowed to each man that is now gon in the Service to the Jersies —

12 Voted that one Pound Ten Shillings be alowed to each man that is now in the Service att Boston for five Months —

13 Voted that Eighteen Shillings be allowed to each man that is now in the Service att Boston for Three Months —

14 Voted to Chues a Committee agreable to the Petition —

15 Voted to Chues five for s^{d}. Committee by Written Votes

Chose { ELISHA WARREN, ISAAC HOBBS, SAM^{EL}. LAMSON, SAM^{EL}. FISK, JONAS SANDERSON } for s^{d}. Committee

Voted that the Meeting be a jouned to the 18th. Instant at one oClock. P. M. —

Upon the a jounment of the Meeting last mentioned the Inhabitants Assembled and Voted as followeth Viz —

1 Voted to give the Committee Sum Instructions —

2 Voted that the Committee appointed by the Town (to procure men for the present War) be impowered to hire Money in behalf of s^{d}. Town and prudantly lay it out in hireing men (if needed more than what the Continant & this State has allready granted) to hire those men that are now Called for or that shall be called for during the standing of s^{d}. Committee and s^{d}. Committee be accountable to s^{d}. Town when called unto —

3 Voted to grant Two Thousand Pounds to defray the Charges of the war and ly in bank — And that Sum be Assesst & made by it self & as other Rates are — And that the Usual Constables Collect the same sum the Town Voted —

[138.] 4 Voted that y^{e}. Constables deliver the Money to the Chareman of the Committee And that this Committee examin & pay out to those that have done Services and give a list of what Each person has done —

5 Voted that those Persons that have done services shall not receive what y^{e}. Town Granted but by Assignment —

6 Voted that y^{e}. Committee appointed be impowered to give out a Warrant to the Assessors to Assess the Sum granted by y^{e}. Town according to the Usual way of Making Rates —

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duly Qualified and Lawfully Warned in Publick Town Meeting Assembled on Munday y^{e}. 3^{d} of March AD 1777 at Ten oClock in y^{e}. forenoon at the Publick Meeting-House in s^{d}. Town then and there

1 To Chuse Selectmen a Committee of Correspond and other Town officers that are by Law required —

2 To hear the Town Treasurers accounts for y^{e} : year past & act thereon

3 To know the minds of the Town Whether their Swine shall go at large the Year ensuing —

4 To know the minds of the Town whether they will repair their high-ways by a rate the Year Ensuing and if so grant Money therefor —

5 To hear and Act upon a list prepaired for the Jury Box

6 To know the minds of the Town if they will abate y^{e}. Rates of Timothey Bemis in Benj^{a}. Peirce's list which is £0 18 4/^{½} —

7 To know the minds of the Town if they will alough the account of Josiah Smith Esqr. for what he attended at the Congres —

8 To hear the petition of Sam^{el} : Train and others to know if the Town will provid Wood for the Schools by a Rate and if so grant Money there for —

The Town Proceeded to bring in their Votes for a Moderator and upon examing the same it appeared that Josiah Smith Esq^{R} was Chosen Moderator for s^{d}. Meeting — And the fol-

lowing Persons were chosen into Office for the Year Ensewing — Viz

Selectmen	JOSIAH SMITH	
	THO^S^. RAND	
	ISRAIEL WHITTEMORE	
	JON^A^ : UNDERWOOD	
	ISAAC HOBBS	
[139.] Committee of Corospond	SAM^EL^ : FISK	
	SAM^EL^ : LIVERMORE	
	MATHEW HOBBS	
	Voted to Chues but three	
Town Clerk	JOEL SMITH	Sworn March 10th.
Town Treasurer	SAM^EL^. LAMSON	Sworn March 10th.
Constables	NATHANIEL FELCH and he paid his fine	
	URIAH GREGORY	Sworn March 10th
	REV^D^. ASA DUNBAR and the Town excused him	
	SAM^EL^. SEAVERNS JU^R^. and he paid his fine	
Assessors	ABR^M^. JONES	Sworn March 10th.
	MATHEW HOBBS	Sworn March 10th.
	JOSEPH RUSSEL	Sworn March 10th.
Wardins	SAM^EL^. BALDWIN	
	JON^A^. WARREN	Sworn March 10th.
	EPH^M^. TRAIN	Sworn March 10th.
Surveyors & Collectors of High-Ways	ELIS^H^. HARRINGTON	Sworn March 10th
	JOSHUA PEIRCE	Sworn March 10th.
	ELIS^H^. WARREN	Sworn March 3^d^.
	JON^A^. STRATTON JU^R^.	Sworn March 10th.
	JONAS SANDERSON	Sworn March 10th.
Tythinmen	SAM^EL^. LAMSON	Sworn March — 10th.
	PHINEHAS UPHAM	Sworn March 10th.
Hoggreaves	SAM^EL^. BALDWIN	
	JOHN MIRICK	
Preserver of Deer	JOHN WARREN JU^R^.	Sworn March — 10th.
	URIAH GREGORY	Sworn March — 10th.
Field Drivers	NATHAN HAGER	Sworn March — 10th.
	JOSIAH BIGLOW	Sworn March — 10th.

Fence Vewers	JOSEPH RUSSELL	Sworn March — 10th.
	URIAH GREGORY	Sworn March 10th.
Sealers of Leather	JONAS SANDERSON	Sworn March 10th.
	JONAS PEIRCE	
[140.]		
Surveyors of Bords Shingles &c	DANIEL STRATTON	
	THOMAS RAND	Sworn March 10th

Saxton and Grave Digger SAMEL: FISK at 6 Dollars pr. Annum

1 Voted to except the Town Treasurers account as now read off

The account of Samel: Lamson Treasrer for Weston from March 2d. 1776 to March ye. 1st. 1777 is as followeth Viz —

	£	S	D	Q
Recd. the balance that remained in my Hands last Year	3	7	2	3
Recd. of Coln. Smith what remained in his Hands when Treasurer	3	19	4	2
Recd. of Wm. Whitney the Interest due on his Bond 6..13..3 & part of ye. Principle 11..17..2 . .	18	10	5	—
Recd of Samuel Train the Interest due on his Bond .	1	6	4	—
Recd of Benja. Peirce Late Constable in part . .	2	19	4	—
Recd. of Decn. Russel late Constable in part . . .	39	1	1	1
Recd. of Thaddeus Spring late Constable in part . .	47	7	—	—
Recd. of Capt. Fisk late Constable in part . . .	80	12	5	1
Recd. of Samel. Livemore late Constable in part . .	87	—	7	1
Money hired into the Treasurey by order of the Town	110	13	4	—
	394	17	2	—
Pd. the Revd. Mr Samel. Woodward his Salery in full for one Year ending Sept. 25th. 1776 also for his fire wood & what ye Town granted to him over and above his Salery	92	—	—	—
Pd. to the Province Treasurey in part of ye. Province Tax	20	6	—	—
Pd. to the Province Treasurey in full	25	0	6	—
Pd. to Thos. Upham	1	16	—	—
Pd. to Christo. Capron for bording Wo: Partridge 42 Weeks 2 Days	4	9	6	3
Pd. Joseph Harrington jur. as his account being one of the Overseers	1	6	10	—
Pd. Thos. Upham		6	—	—

Pd. Isaac Jones for Blankerting		11	—	
Pd. Joseph Stedman for Repairing the New Bridge .		12	—	
Pd. Benja. Hurd for one Gun		18	—	
Pd. Samel. Fisk for Carting a Load of Hay to the Armey		10	—	
Pd. Josiah Star for Doctering Samel. Corys Wife and Lucy	1	18	1	
Pd. Jonas Harrington jur. for Plank for the Great Bridge	4	8	6	
Pd. John Lamson for one Gun and Boyonet . . .	2	8	—	
Pd Thos. Rand for Supporting the Poor & Numbering ye. People	1	15	2	
Pd Uriah Gregory for Planck for the Great Bridge .	2	6	8	
Pd Benja. Dudley for Bording Widow Corey from March 6th. 1775 to March 6th 1776	6	18	8	
Pd. Roger Bigelow for one Gun	1	4	—	
Pd. Jona. Underwood for Clothing for the W-d-o Partrige	3	—	9	
Pd. Israiel Whittemore for Clothing for the W-d-o Partridge	1	7	6	
Pd. Jonas Peirce for Bording Master Hill . . .	3			
Pd. Joseph Whitney for Bording Master Eames . .	2	14	—	
Pd. Master Jona. Eames for keeping School . . .	8	—	—	
Pd. David Stedman for keeping a Reading & Writing School 1/2 a Month	1	4	—	
Turn over	188	1	2	3

	£	S	D	Q
[141.] Brought over	188	1	2	3
Pd. Thadds. Spring for an Order from Josiah Cary for taking Care of ye. Meeting House in 1775 . .	1	4	—	
Pd Isaac Flagg for keeping School 2 Months & bording himself	4	16	—	
Pd. Christo. Capron for keeping Wido. Partrige from Novm. 5th. 1775 to March ye. 5th. 1776 . . .	1	14	—	
Pd. Josiah Stedman for Plank for Bridges . . .		5	—	
Pd. Josiah Stedman for making Rates		12	—	
Pd Elisebeth Stimson for bording and Nursing Benja Stimson 52 Weeks	12	12	—	
Pd. Colna. Braddyll Smith for his Service at Congress .	27	8	—	
Pd Ephram Train fro bording Master Eames . .	3	—	—	
Pd Samel. Train jur. for keeping Wm. Partridge 2 Weeks	0	10	—	
Pd Capt. John Flagg for Bording Master Hobert . .	3	—	—	
Pd. Henry Coggins for keeping and Clothing Wm. Partridge 37 Weeks from 6th. March 1775 to ye. 30th. Novm. 1775	5	15	2	
Pd Henry Coggins for bording Wm. Partridge 52 Weeks	8	4	8	

P^d^. David Stedman for keeping School 4 Months & bording himself	9	12	—	
P^d^. Benj^a^. Jones for bording Master Eames	2	17	10	
P^d^. Benj^a^. Peirce for Clothing for the Poor & the Use of 2 Guns and mending of one & for Numbering the People	2	7	2	
P^d^. each of the following Persons what the Town Granted to them for their going to Canada 5 Months				
Viz Convas Biglow	6	6	8	
John Warren ju^r^.	6	6	8	
Sam^el^. Train	6	6	8	
Mathew Hobbs	6	6	8	
John Hager	6	6	8	
Lemuel Stimson	6	6	8	
James Cogswell	6	6	8	
Benj^a^. Rand	6	6	8	
Sam^el^. Danforth	6	6	8	
W^m^. Helms	6	6	8	
Pall Coledge	6	6	8	
John Baldwin	6	6	8	
Benj^a^. Bancroft	6	6	8	
David Sanderson	6	6	8	
Reubin Hobbs	6	6	8	
Elias Biglow	6	6	8	
Thos. Russel ju^r^.	6	6	8	
John Stimson	6	6	8	
	385	19	2	3

[142.] We the Subscribers being appointed by the Selectmen have Examined the foregoing accounts & find them well vouched and Wright cast and there remains in the Treasurers Hands —

£	S	D	Q
8	17	11	1

WESTON March 1st. 1777

BENJ^A^. PEIRCE
THO^S^. RAND
JOEL SMITH

Remains in late Constable David Stearns Hands	2	1	1	2
Remains in late Constable Benj^a^. Peirces Hands	1	18	10	1
Remains in late Constable Mathew Hobbs Hands	4	5	8	3
Remains in late Constable Dec^n^. Thos. Russells Hands	23	1	8	3
Remains in late Constable Thadd^s^. Springs Hands	47	2	9	3
Remains in late Constable Jonathan Fisks Hands	60	19	10	3
Remains in late Constable Sam^el^. Livermores Hands	63	7	0	3
	202	17	2	2

2 Voted that their Swine go at large
3 Voted to Repair their High Ways by a Rate
4 Voted Fourty Pounds to repair their Roads
5 Voted to except the list of Juriors
6 Voted to abate the Rates of Timotha Bemis £0 . . 18 . . 4½
7 Voted to allow Josiah Smith Esqr. 4^{s}/ p^{r}. Day for his Service at Congress being 27 Days
8 Voted to Supply their Schools with wood by a Rate
9 Voted to grant £20 to Support their Schools with wood
10 Voted to ajourn this Meeting till the 10th. Instant

Upon the ajournment above the Inhabitants meet and Chose Samuel Fisk Constable Sworn March 10th.

Att a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants Suitably Qualified to Vote in Town affairs being Legally Warned Assembled at the Publick Meeting House in Weston on Munday y^{e}. 26th. Day of May 1777 at one oClock. P. M. did then Elect & depute M^{r}. Isaac Hobbs to Serve for & Represent them in the Great and General Court or Assembly appointed to be convened Held & Kept for the Service of the People at the Court House in Boston on Wednesday y^{e}. 28th. Instant

Voted to send but one

Voted to act on the recommendation of the Great & General Court

Voted that their Representative should Acquiesce with the General Court in their Recommendation to the Several Towns in Instructing their Representative Relative to a New form of Government

[143.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of y^{e}. Town of Weston being Legally warned Assembled at the PubLick Meeting-House in s^{d}. Town on Fryday y^{e}. 15th. Day of August 1777 at three oClock. P. M. to know what further instructions they will give to their Committee Chosen to hire men or act any other matter or thing relative to the war affair —

Voted to give Twenty Pounds as a bounty to those men that shall ingage to go at this time —

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston being Legally warned Assembled at the Publick Meeting House in s^{d}. Town on Munday y^{e}. 13th. Day of October 1777 at one oClock in the afternoon then and there —

1 To grant money to Pay the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Sam^{el}. Woodwards Sallery for one year begining y^{e}. 25th. of Sep^{t}. 1777 and also make provision for his fire wood for s^{d}. year And also to know the minds of s^{d}. Town what further grant they will make to the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Woodward the Present year or provide for him any other way as the Town shall think Proper —

2 To here the Town Creditors accounts & act there on —

3 To grant money to Support Schooling & defray the Usual Charges of said Town —

4 to know the Minds of the Town if they will make any further Provision for Schooling then the Grammer School and if so how much & what method for the year insewing

5 to know y^{e}: minds of y^{e}: Town if they will abate the Rates of y^{e}. following Persons or any part of them in Constable Thad^{s}: Springs list Viz Solomon Stimson 13/3 Elisha Cox £1 . . 8/2 Henry Gale 1—3—7 Thos: Peirce 6/3½ Jesse Garfield £1 . . 3 . . 7 Necholas Hobert 10/6 John Gray 10/6 Elisha Stimson £1 . . 3 . . 7 John Hager Ju^{r}. 10/6 Jon^{a}. Cox 10/6—

Also to know the minds of the Town if they will abate the Rates of Thomas Peirce in Constable Sam^{el}. Livermores list

6 to know the minds of the Town if they will Chuse a Surveyor & Collector of High ways in y^{e}: room of John Whitehead who is absent or act anything relating there unto

[144.] 7 You are hereby Required to Notify the Inhabitants to bring in their Credit if any they have to the Selectmen on Fryday y^{e}. 10th. Day of Oct^{o}. at the House of Capt. Sam^{el}. Bauldwin in s^{d}. Town at three OClock in y^{e}. afternoon —

Then the Town proceeded to bring in their Votes and It appeared upon Examining the same that Josiah Smith Esq^{R}. was Chosen moderator —

1 Voted that y^{e}. Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Sam^{el}. Woodward be allowed his Salery as usual for the present year —

2 Voted to grant y^{e} : Rev^{d} : M^{r}. Sam^{el}. Woodward 40£ to enable him to provide his fire wood the present year —

3 Voted to grant y^{e}. Rev^{d}. M^{r} : Sam^{el} : Woodward £26 . . 13 . . 4 as gratuity for the present year

4 Voted to all allow the Town Creditors account as followeth Viz —

to M^{r}. Jonas Peirce for warning Seven Town meetings In 1776 £1 . . 13—0 for Sallary as Constable one year £1—0—0	£2	13	0
to Mr Daniel Livermore for warning three Town Meetings 9/0 for Sallary as Constable one year £1 . . 0 . . 0	1	9	0
To Lieu^{t}. Abraham Jones for 2 1/2 Days Service in drawing the Lists & taking y^{e}. Invoice of y^{e}. Inhabitants of y^{e}. South side of said Town in 1777			
To 4 1/2 Days Service at making ye State & Town Rates to 2 Days making the High way Rates & War Rates	1	16	0
To Joseph Russell for 21 1/2 Days Service in making the Several Rates & taking the invoice of North side Inhabitants in 1777	4	6	0
To Lieu^{t}. Mathew Hobbs for 8 1/2 Day Service in making & examining the several Rates in s^{d}. Town in 1777 .	1	14	0
To M^{r}. Joseph Russell for Paper for the Several Rates & great Sheats and warrants	0	3	7

5 Voted to make some further Provision for Schooling

6 Voted to grant Eight Pound to division beside the Grammer School and that all the Schools go at onece as nigh as possible £8

7 Voted that 450£ be granted to Support Schoolind and Defray the usual Charges of the Town . . . £450

[145.] 8 Voted to abate the Rates of ye following Persons in Constable Thadd^{s}. Springs list Viz —

Solomon Stimson's Rates	£0	13	3
Elisha Cox's Rates	1	8	2
Henry Gale's Rates	1	3	7
Thomas Peirce's Rates	0	6	3½
Nicholas Hobert's Rates	0	10	6
John Grays Rates	0	10	6

Voted not to abate y^{e}. Rates of Jesse Garfield

Voted not to abate y^e^. Rates of Thos. Peirce in Constable Sam^el^. Livermores list —

the abatement of the Rates of Elisha Stimson John Hager ju^r^. and Jon^a^. Cox as mentioned in y^e^. warrant were not put to Vote

9 Voted that Lieu^t^. Jon^a^. Stratton Serve as Surveyor & Collector of High ways in the Room of John Whitehead absent

At a Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of y^e^. Town of Weston that are by Law Qualified to Vote in Town affairs being Legally Warned assembled at the Publick Meeting House in s^d^. Town on Thursday y^e^. 11th. Day of Dec^m^. 1777 at one oClock in the afternoon

1st to here the Petition of M^r^. John Allen and others Relative to the General Courts calling in the Bill of Publick Credit of this State and Remonstrate as they shall think proper whether to the General Assembly as such or give their Representative instructions thereon or act any other matter or thing relative to the petition —

2^d^ To know minds of the Town if they will examin the accounts of the Committee chosen by the Town to precure men when called to go into the Service of the United States of Amarica or act any other matter or thing relative to s^d^. Committee —

3^d^ To know the minds of the Town if they will Act any matter or thing relative to the Support of the Families of those that have gone as privates in the Service of the United States of Amarica —

4th To know the minds of the Town if they will set up a Tan Yeard upon the Towns Cost at Sum convenient place in said Town or act anything relative to the same —

[146.] Voted by said Town that JOSIAH SMITH ESQ^R^. *be Moderator for said Meeting* —

1st. Voted to act upon the petition of M^r^. John Allen & others

2^d^. Voted to Remonstrat to the General Court as such Relative to their Calling in the Bill of Credit of this State & puting them on Interest —

3d Voted to Chues five as a Committee to Draw a Report for the Purpose above said and made Choice of —

Mssers
- JOHN ALLEN
- CAPT^T. JOHN FLAGG
- SAM^EL. LIVERMORE
- LIEU^T. ABRA^M. JONES
- BENJ^A. PEIRCE

4th. Voted to examin the accounts of the Committee as mentioned in the Warrant —

5th. Voted to chewes a Committe of three

Choose
- LIEU^T. JON^A: STRATTON
- CAP^T. SAM^EL: BALDWIN
- LIEU^T. AB^R. JONES

} for s^d. Committee for s^d. purpose

6th. Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee to supply the Familes of those that are gone as privates in the Service of the United States of Amarica —

7th. Voted not to act upon the 4th. Article —

8th. Voted to ajourn the Meeting till Tuesday y^e: 16th. Instant at two oClock. P. M. and also to here the Report of the Committes to Examin accounts & Relative to the Petition of M^r. John Allen & others

Agreably to the ajournment y^e. Inhabitants Assembled and Voted to except the Report of the Comm^tte. Relative to the Petition of M^r. John Allen and others

1778

[147.] At a meeting of the Free holders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston being legally warned Assembled at the Publick Meeting House in s^d. Town on Munday y^e. 12th Day of Jan^a: 1778 at one oClock P. M.

1st. To here & consider of articles of Confideration & Perpetual union between y^e. United States of Amarica formd & Proposed to y^e. Legislative Body of this State by ye Honorable Congress & to Instruct your Representative to act & do as you shall judge most for the advantag of this & y^e · other United

States Relative to that matter agreable to a Recommendation of y^{e}. House of Representatives

2^{d} To here an address of y^{e}. House of Representatives to the Inhabitants of this State setting forth y^{e} : Reason which Induced the House to pass an Act for calling in the Bills of Credit Emitted by ys : Goverment & Obviating the Objection that have been made to it —

They then Chose JOSIAH SMITH ESQ^{R} : *Moderator*

1 Voted to accept of the Confideration & Perpetual Union as adopted by the Congress and that the Representative be Instructed to act accordingly —

2 Voted not to here the Second Article in the Warrant at this Meeting

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants of y^{e}. Town of Weston that are by Law Qualified to Vote in Town Affairs being Legally warned Assembled at y^{e}. Publick Meeting House in s^{d}. Town on Munday y^{e}. 9th. of Feb^{r}. 1778 at one of the oClock P. M. they then and there

Chose JOSIAH SMITH ESQ^{R}. *Moderator for s^{d}. Meeting*

Voted not to act upon the Warrant —

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of y^{e}. Town of Weston that are by Law Qualified to Vote in Town Affairs being Legally warned Assembled at the Publick Meeting House in s^{d}. Town on Munday y^{e}. 2^{d}. of March AD 1778 at 10 oClock in the fore noon

1 To Chuse Selectmen & other Town Officers for the year Ensewing that are by Law Required

2 To here the Town Treasurers accounts for y^{e}. Year Ensewing & act thereon

3 To know the minds of the Town wheather their Swine shall go at large the year ensuing

4 To know the minds of the Town whether they will Repair their high ways by a Rate the year Ensewing & if so grant money Theirfor

5 To hear & act upon a list prepared for the Jury Box

[148.] 6 To know the minds of the Town if they will allow to Mr: Josiah Biglow £1 . . S8 . . D6 . . Q3 which was allowed to Capt. Spring for his part in building the North West School House

7 To know the minds of ye: Town if they will abate the Sum of £1 . . S5 . . D7 to Mr. Jonas Harrington which he was over Rated & set in Constable Daniel Livermores List; and likewise the Sum of £3 . . S7 . . D5 set in Constable Samel. Fisks list of War Rates

8 T[o] know the minds of the Town if they will abate the Rates of John Stedman £0 . . 10 . . 6 . . 0

Also the Rates of John Ball £0 . . S10 . . D6 . . Q0 set in Constable Russells List

9 To know the minds of the Town if they will abate the Rates of Timo: Bemis £1 . . 7 . . 10 . . 0

Also the Rates of Phinehas Jones £0 . . 13 . . 9 . . 3 Set in Constable Hobbs list

10 To know the minds of the Town if they will abate the Rates of John Walker jur. £1 . . 13 . . 5 . . 2

Also the Rates of Ephraim Fenno £0 . . 5 . . 5 . . 0 Set in Constable Fisk's list

11 To know ye: minds of the Town if they will abate the Rates of the following Persons in Constable Jona Peirces list Viz John Walker Junr. £2 . . 17 . . 4

Samel Danforth £1 . . 3 . . 9 . . 3 Joseph Henderson £1 . . 2 . . 2 . . 3

12 To know the minds of the Town if they will hear ye: Report of the Committee chosen by sd Town to examin ye. accounts of ye. Committee chosen to hire men for ye: war & act thereon

13 To know the minds of ye. Town whether they will continue ye. Committee chosen by sd. Town to hire men for ye. War & if so grant money therefor or act any other matter or thing relative to said Committee or the War affair —

They then chose Josiah Smith Esqr. Moderator

And the following Persons were chose into Office for ye. Year Ensewing Viz

Selectmen	JOSIAH SMITH	
	ISAAC JONES	
	ISRAIEL WHITTEMORE	
	SAMUEL FISK	
	JOSEPH ROBERTS	
Committee of Corrospond Inspection & Safety	SAMUEL LIVERMORE	
	NATHAN HOBBS	
	JOSIAH BIGLOW	

[149.] Town Clerk JOEL SMITH Sworn March 9th.

Town Treasurer SAMUEL FISK Sworn March 9th

Constables	ABIJAH STEDMAN	Sworn March 9th
	JOSIAH BIGLOW & he paid his fine 5£	
	BENJA. DUDLEY and was excused for the present year	
	CAPT. JOHN FLAGG and was Excused	
	ELISHA HARRINGTON	
Assessors	ABRM. JONES	Sworn march 9th
	NATHAN HOBBS	Sworn march 9th
	JOSEPH ROBERTS	Sworn march 9th
Wardins	DANIEL LIVERMORE	
	JONA. FISK	
	NATHANIEL FELCH	
Surveyors & Collectors of High ways	JOSIAH SMITH	Sworn march 9th
	EPHRAIM TRAIN	Sworn march 9th
	SIMEON SMITH	Sworn march 9th
	NATHAN HAGER	Sworn march 9th
	JOHN ALLEN	Sworn May 6th.
Tythingmen	JONAS SANDERSON	Sworn march 9th
	BENJA. FULLER	Sworn march 9th
Hoggreaves	JOSEPH SEAVERNS	
	JONA. WARREN	
Preserver of Dear	SIMEON SMITH	Sworn march 9th
	DANIEL STRATTON	Sworn march 16th
Field Drivers	NATHAN HAGER	Sworn march 9th
	DANIEL STRATTON	Sworn march 16th.

Fence Vewers	JOSEPH RUSSELL	Sworn march 9th
	BENJAMIN FULLER	
Sealers of Leather	JONA. UNDERWOOD	Sworn march 9th
	JONAS SANDERSON	Sworn march 9th
Surveyors of Bords & Shingles	THOMAS RAND	Sworn March 9th
	DANIEL STRATTON	Sworn march 16th

[150.] Voted to ajourn to Munday ye 9th Instant March at one oClock P. M.

Upon the ajournment above the Inhabitants then Meet at the Time appointed

1 Voted to excuse Mr. Elisha Harrington Serving as Constable And Chose Abrm. Sanderson Constable

2 Voted that Ezra Fisk take care of the Meeting House & Samel. Fisk the Care of ye. Pound

3 Voted to raise the price to one Shilln. pr. Hour for working out their Raits ye. present year

4 Voted to except the Town Treasurers account as now read off

The account of Majr. Samel. Lamson Treasurer for March the 2d 1777 to the 2d March 1778 as followeth Viz

	£	S	D	Q
Recd. the balance that Remained in my Hands last March	8	17	11	1
Recd. of Thadds. Spring late Constable in full of 2 Lists	47	2	9	3
Recd. of Jonas Peirce late Constable in Part . .	113	17	11	—
Recd. of Capt. Fisk Late Constable in	43	16	2	1
Recd. of Decn. Russell late Constable	20	16	—	1
Recd. of Samel. Livermore late Constable . . .	53	6	—	—
Recd. of Daniel Livermore late Constable . . .	77	5	6	—
Recd. of Josiah Smith Esqr. Ten Pounds which sd. Smith Recd. of Nathel. Felch & Samuel Seavernsjunr. which they Paid as fines for not serving as Constable .	10	—	—	—
Recd. of Samel. Train jr. his Bond Principal 22 £. & the Interest Due on sd. Bond £1 . . 15 . 0 . . .	23	15	—	—
Recd. of Coln. Smith money due on his Note of hand Principal 50 £. & ye. Intersd. due on sd note £4—19	54	19	—	—
Recd. of Capt. Flagg his Note Principal 11£ & Interest on sd. Note £.1 . . 18 . . 10	12	18	10	—
Recd. of Mr. Benja. Peirce late Constable in full . .	1	18	10	1
	468	14	0	3

P^d^. Henry Coggen for Bording & Clothing William Partridge 67 & 1/2 weeks	21	—	—	—
P^d^. Christopher Capron for bording Widow Partrige & her Son W^m^ 13 Weeks	5	17	8	—
P^d^. Sholmaster Hill for keeping y^e^. Grammar School Six Months	15	10	—	—
P^d^. Chris^to^. Capron for Bording & Clothing y^e^. Wid^o^. Partridge & her Son W^m^. 18 Weeks . . .	10	16	—	—
P^d^. Chrs^to^. Capron for bording Meram [Miriam] from y^e^. 5th. of March 1776 to y^e^. 10th of May . .		18	10	—
P^d^. Lieu^t^. Jones for taking Invoice & making Rates in 1772	1	—	—	—
P^d^. Lieut Jones for taking Invoice & making Rates in 1773	—	19	—	—
P^d^. Joshua Jeaneson for taking care of y^e^. Meeting house in 1776	1	4	—	—
P^d^. Joshua Jeaneson for Cleaning y^e^. Meting house Imnediately after the Prisoners taken at Benington	1	16	—	—
P^d^. Daniel Cooledge for Josiah Cooledge 52 Weeks .	15	12	—	—
P^d^. Coln Smith the Bounty the Town allowed those that went to ticontiroga in 1776	6	6	8	—
P^d^. Phinehas Right in full for his keeping Shool 2 Months from 13^d^ oct^o^. 1777	6	13	4	—
P^d^. Benj^a^. Bancroft the town Bounty	6	14	—	—
P^d^. Ezra Fisk the Principal of his Note 80£. & the Interest £7 . . 10	87	10	—	—
P^d^. Benj^a^. Dudley for bording & Nursing Wid^o^. Cory in full	13	13	10	—
P^d^. Joseph Russell for keeping School four months .	9	12	0	0
turn over	205	3	4	0

	£	S	D	Q
[151.] Brought over	205	3	4	0
P^d^. Lie^t^. Jon^a^. Stratton for for Plank for Bridges .	1	8	10	—
P^d^. Josiah Bigelow for wood for the School . . .		18	9	—
P^d^. Isaac Hobbs for Plank	1	14	—	—
P^d^. Capt. Israiel Whittemore for Pork & Grain for John Walker ju^r^. & Plank for bridges	9	9	10	—
P^d^. Thadd^s^ Spring a late Constable y^e^. the abatement of Sundery Rates	4	12	3	2
P^d^. by Assignment in Constable Jonas Peirce's list .	8	16	7	—
P^d^ by Assignment in Constable Jon^a^. Fisks list . .	5	1	4	—
P^d^ to Benj^a^. Dudley for bording Wid^o^. Corey 52 Weeks	8	13	4	—
P^d^ by assignment in Constable Sam^el^. Livermore List .	0	18	—	—
P^d^ by assignment in late Constable Russells list . .	15	6	—	1

Pd. to Capt Israiel Whittemore for Cash Pd. for Servises done for the Town	13	11	7	
Pd Mr. Jona. Underwood for Shoes & a Number of other Articles	6	16	4	
Pd to Josiah Smith Esqr. to Entertainment to the Glazier & a Number of other articles as appears by his account	4	11	—	
Pd. Josiah Smith Esqr. for bording School Master Hill 19 Weeks	7	2	6	
Pd. Josiah Smith Esqr. by Assignment for his attendance at Congress	5	8	—	
Pd. Mr Benja Peirce for bording men & making Cattriges	1	4	—	
Pd. Timotha Pike for attendance & diging a Grave for Mr. Cooledge	3	3	—	
Pd. the Revd. Mr. Samel. Woodward in full for his Sallary one Year Ending Sept 25th. 1777 . . .	66	13	4	
& his fire wood sd. Year	12	—	—	
Also £13 . . 6 . . 8 granted by sd. town sd. year .	13	6	8	
Pd. the Revd. Mr. Woodward 40£. in Part the Present Year	40	—	—	
	436	18	8	3

We the Subscribers being appointed by the Selectmen to Examin the Treasurers acounts & we find them well vouched and Wright Cast And there Remans in ye. Treasurers Hands 31 15 4

JOSIAH SMITH
THOMAS RAND
JONA. UNDERWOOD

Remains in late Constable David Stearns Hands . .	2	1	1	2
Remains in late Constable Mathew Hobbs Hands .	4	5	8	3
Remains in late Constable Decn. Thos. Russells Hands	2	5	8	2
Remains in late Constable Capt. Jona. Fisks Hands .	17	13	10	3
Remains in late Constable Samel. Livermores Hands .	10	1	—	3
Remains in late Constable Daniel Livermores Hands .	123	9	6	—
Remains in late Constable Jonas Peirces Hands . .	77	7	1	—

[152.] 5 Voted that their Swine go at lareg being regulated according to Law

6 Voted to repair their Highways by a Rate

7 Voted to grant £100. to repair their Highways

8 Voted to except of the list of Juriors as Now read off

9 Voted not to allow to Josiah Biglow as mentioned in the Warrant

10 Voted to abate the Sum of £1 . . 5 . . 7 to Mr. Jonas Harrington which he is over Rated & set in Constable Daniel Livermores List And likewise the Sum of £3 . . 7 . . 5 set in Constable Samel. Fisk List of war Rates — . . £4 . . 13 . . 0—0

11 Voted to abate the Rates of John Stedman in Constable Russels List — . . . . . £0 . . 10—6

Also the Rates of John Ball in sd. list — . 0 . . 10 . . 6

12 Voted not to abate the Rates of Timotha Bemis & Phinehas Jones in Constable Hobbs list

13 Voted to abate ye. Rates of John Walker jr. in Constable Fisks list . . . . . £1 . . 13 . . 5 . . 2

Also the Rates of Ephrain Fenno in sd. Fisks list 0—5 . . 5—0

14 Voted to abate ye. Rates of John Walker jr. in Constable Pierces list — . . . . . 2 . . 17 . . 4—0

15 Voted not to abate ye Rates of Samel. Danforth in sd. Peirces list

16 Voted to abate ye. Rates of Joseph Hendeson in sd. Peirces list — . . . . . 1 . . 2 . . 2 . . 3

17 Voted to except the Report of the Commitee (which is mentioned in the Warrant) as now read

The Town of Weston to Elisha Warren (Treasurer for Procuring men for the Services of Said Town Dr from Febr. 7 1777 To 1778 Viz

	£	S	D	Q
Pd. Wm. Pawnal [Pownal] Nathel. Thomas John Bowers Joshua Bramhall and Joshua Gray 10£ each .	50	—	—	—
Pd. John Tippetts & Peter Cotton. 48 each John Davis £10 & John Tenly [Fenly] £6	112	—	—	—
Pd Adam Gothree £. 10 to Martin Roucke £10 Thrs Ferrall £10/12 Zachs Banks £10	40	12	—	—
Pd. Wm. Cotten £10. to W Gardner £12 & John-Townshend Presson	31	6	—	—
Pd. Barnabas Evens £10 . . 10 & Samel. Voce £15 Prince William £10 & John Walker £15 . .	50	10	—	—
Pd. John Cockrin & Elexander Johnston. £18 each & John Norcross £22 & Daniel Twichel £15 . .	73	—	—	—
Pd. Josiah Allen £15 John Barbrick £15 To James Taylor £15 & John Moory £15	60	—	—	—

P^d^. John & Amasa Stedman £22 each & Isaac Green £40	84	—	—	
P^d^. fifteen men to go to Bennington £20 each . .	300	—	—	
P^d^. Eight men to go to Providence £6 each . . .	48	—	—	
Benanuel Prat as part of his wages in y^e^. Service at Cambridge	21	—	—	
P^d^ Joshua Geneson £20—2/3 John Hager £12 Nathan Warren £10/4 Joseph Stone £9 . .	51	6	3	
P^d^ James Cogswell £6 Jon^a^. Stratton j^r^. £15 Seth Prat 21	42	—	—	
Turn over	963	14	3	0
[153.] The Acount brought over	963	14	3	
P^d^. M^rss^. Jacob Biglow for Interest 9/9 Sam^el^. Fisk for do £3/6 Sam^el^. Lamson for d^o^. 7*s*/0 . . .	4	2	9	
P^d^ Isaac Hobbs for d^o^. £1—16 Amos Harrington for d^o^. 7*s*. Nath^el^. Coburn for d^o^. £2—4*s*. . . .	4	7	—	
P^d^. Sam^el^ Fisk for Expences going to York & Exeter to procure men	3	—	—	
P^d^. Sam^el^. Lamson for Expences att Boston & Cambridge to Procure men	2	2	6	
P^d^ Isaac Hobbs for d^o^. at d^o^. 18*s* P^d^ my Self for d^o^. att d^o^. £6—9*s* Jonas Sanderson for do at do 12*s*—0	7	19	—	
P^d^. James Cogswell in part for guarding at Cambridge £9 Henry Bond in part for d^o^. 10£ . . .	19	—	—	
P^d^. Joshua Jeneson in part for d^o^. £3. John Willis for the Contenantal Service £20	23	—	—	
	1027	5	6	

[NOTE. — *The names given in brackets were not correctly copied by the Town Clerk from the War Treasurer's account. — M. F. P.*]

We the Subscribers being Chosen a Committe by the Inhabitants of Weston at a Town meeting Held in s^d^. Town the 11th. Dec^m^. 1777 to examine the accounts of M^r^. Elisha Warren Treasurer of the Committee to hire men to go into the Service and having attended that Service find them well Vouched & wright Cast & there Remains

in the Treasurers Hands	£ 39	4	5
in Constable Fisks hands	302	17	9
in Constable Gregory Hands	243	13	7

WESTON Feb^r^. 23 : 1778

JONATHAN STRATTON
SAM^EL^. BALDWIN
ABR^M^. JONES
} Committe

The Town of Weston to Elisha Warren as Treasurer Cr. To money borrowed of Sundry Persons in behalf of sd. Town

Viz by Cash Borrowed of Mr. Jona. Fisk Febr. 26 1777	.	80	—	—
1777 March 3d by Cash Borrowed of Mr. Jona. Fisk .	.	45	—	—
ye. 6th. by Cash borrowed of Mr. Wm. Fisk .	.	53	6	8
Apr. 1st. by Cash borrowed of Mr. Abijah Warren		14	—	—
March 10th by Cash borrowed of Mr. Jona. Bullard	.	68	14	—
Apl. 26th. by Cash borrowed of Mr. Bezaleel Flagg	.	15	8	8
Apr. 12th. by Cash borrowed of Mr. Joseph Russell	.	40	—	—
May 1st. by Cash borrowed of my Self £14 Jana. 16th by Cash of my Self £60	. . .	74	—	—
by Cash Recd. of Constable Samel. Fisk	.	350	4	3
by Cash Recd. of Constable Uriah Gregory		279	6	4
by Cash Recd. of Constable Uriah Gregory		10	10	—
by Cash Recd. of Major. Saml. Lamson being money that he Red for fines	.	36	—	—
		1066	9	11

[154.] 18th. Voted to Continue the Committee as afore mentioned

19 Voted to grant £1000 for the Support of the War

20 Voted to ajourn ye. meeting till Munday Next ye. 16 Day of March at 4 oClock PM

Upon the ajournment above the Inhabitants Assembled & Vote as followeth Viz

1 Voted not to excuse Mr. Sanderson Servin Constable & he paid his fine

Chose JOSEPH RUSSELL Constable Sworn March 16th.

Chose DANIEL STRATTON Tythingman

2 Voted that the Occupier of Estates the present Year shall pay the war Rates which Sum was granted this Meeting —

3 Voted that it be collected as usually —

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Qualified by Law to Vote in ye. choice of a Representative Assembled at the Publick Meeting house in sd. Town on Munday ye. 18th. of May AD 1778 at two oClock in ye. afternoon ye. Major part of the Electors then Present did in ye. Presents of ye. Selectmen Elect & Depute Mr. JOSEPH ROBERTS

to serve for & Represent them in a great & general Court or Assembly appointed to be convened held & kept for the Goverment Service at the State House in Boston in y^e^. County of Suffolk upon Wednesday y^e^. 27 Day of May Instant

At a Meeting of y^e^. Freeholders & other inhabitants of the Town of Weston duly Qualified & Lawfully warned in Publick Town Meeting Assembled at the Publick Meeting House in s^d^. Town on Munday y^e^. 18th. of May 1778 at four oClock P. M. then & there

1 To here the Form of Goverment as adopted by the Convention of the State of y^e^. Masschusetts Bay & act thereon —

2 To know the minds of the Town if they will act any matter or thing Relative to the War Committee —

3 Also to know their minds if they will make an additional grant to Support the war —

4 To know the minds of the Town if they will allow to each man Drafte for three Months last August for y^e^. Northan Campain what they Paid Respectively for hireing of Men —

They then chose MR JOSEPH ROBERTS *Moderator for s^d^. Meeting*

1 Voted to act upon the Constatution and form of Goverment Sent to the for Consideration

[155.] 2 Voted to Chuse a Committee of Nine Men & a Nomination being called for the following Gentlemen were chosen Viz

COL^N^. BRADDWELL SMITH	Committee
M^R^. JOSEPH ROBERTS	
JOSIAH SMITH ESQ^R^.	
M^R^. ISAAC HOBBS	
CAP^T^. ISAAC JONES	
M^R^. SAM^EL^. FISK	
M^R^. JOHN ALLEN	
M^R^. BENJ^A^. PEIRCE	
M^R^. THOMAS RAND	

3 Voted that the above Committee take under Consideration the plan of Goverment & make a Report to the Town at the time of their Ajournment

4 Voted that Mr. Elisha Warren be dismissed as Treasurer

5 Voted that Mr. Isaac Hobbs be the Treasurer —

6 Voted that there be a Committee appointed to examin the Accounts of Mr Elisha Warren late Treasurer & report to the Town —

Colⁿ. Braᵈᵈ. Smith
Mr. Isaac Hobbs } Committee
Mr. Samᵉˡ. Fisk

7 Voted to make an additional grant of fifteen Hundred Pounds to support the War & that the above Sum with the other Thousand Pound which was granted last March be Assessed & Collected as Usual & delivered into the hands of Mr. Isaac Hobbs Treasurer

Voted to ajourn this Meeting to the 8th. Day of June at 3 oClock P. M.

Agreable the the Ajournment the Inhabitants meet & Voted as followeth Viz

for the Approbation of ye. Constatution of Goverment 6

Against it or disapprobation 57

1 Voted to axcept of the report of the Committee chosen to examin the accounts of Mr. Elish Warren as now read off— Viz The Town of Weston to Elisha Warren as Treasurer

Paid to the following Persons the Sums Sett against each mans Name for Guarding the Brittish Troops at Cambridge

[156.]			£	S	D	Q
Febr. 26		Pd. Philimon Warren in part	9	—	—	
1778		Pd. Joseph Stone — do:	9	—	—	
March	9th	Pd. John Hager — do:	9	—	—	
ye:	22d	Pd. Jeorge Farrer	6	—	—	
ye.	24th	Pd. Joseph Stone	3	—	—	
April	6th.	Pd. Jedidiah Warren	9	—	—	
	6th.	Pd. Nathan Warren	10	10	—	
	6th.	Pd. William Hobbs	5	8	—	
	6th.	Pd. Joseph Stone	3	—	—	
		Pd. Pananuel Pratt	7	—	—	
Febr.	26th.	Pd. Jona. Fisk's Interest on £175 one Year	7	10	—	
		Pd. James Cogswell in full	15	—	—	
		Pd. Seth Pratt in full	9	—	—	
		Total	£102	8	0	

To those that are now doing duty

March	27th.	Pd. Artemas Cox in part	6	—	—
	28th.	Pd. Joseph Mastick in part	9	—	—
	31	Pd. John Bemis in part	3	—	—
	31	Pd. Simeon Pike do:	7	4	—
	31	Pd. Peter Cary do:	4	10	—
Apr.	1st.	Pd. Cain Robbison do.	4	10	—
	2d:	Pd. Cain Robbison do:	10	—	—
	2d:	Pd. Daniel Bemis do:	4	10	—
	2d.	Pd. Joseph Mastick do:	3	—	—
	2d.	Pd. Peter Cary do:	3	—	—
	2d.	Pd. Isaac Gregory do:	4	10	—
	2d.	Pd. Jonas Pierce do:	3	—	—
	20th.	Pd. Simeon Pike do:	3	8	—
	21	Pd. Cain Robbison do.	3	—	—
	22	Pd. Peter Cary do:	4	10	—
	21	Pd. Artemas Cox do.	3	—	—
May	5th.	Pd. Isaac Gregory do.	3	—	—
		Pd. Jonas Peirce jur. do.	3	—	—
	11th.	Pd. John Bemis do.	6	—	—
			£190	10	0

By what Remained in my hands ye. last Adjustment	39	4	6
Recd. of Constable Samel. Fisk	100	—	—
Recd. of Constable Uriah Gregory	52	—	—
	£191	4	6

The Committee appointed to examin ye. accounts of Mr. Elisha Warren late Treasurer of the Committee of war have attended that service & find the same well vouched & Right cast & there remains in Sd. Treasurers hands . . £ 14 6

And in Constable Fisks hands	202	17	9
And in Constabl Gregorys hands	191	13	7
	405	5	10

BRADDYLL SMITH
ISAAC HOBBS } Committee
SAMEL FISK

[157.] 2 Voted to Allow to each man as mentioned in the Warrant

3 Voted that the war Committee examin the Recpts of the aforementioned Persons —

At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston that are by Law Qualified to Vote in Town affars being Legally Warned in Puplick Town Meeting Assembled on Thersday the 15th. Day of Octo. AD 1778 at one oClock in the after Noon then & there

1 To grant money to Pay the Revd. Mr: Samel: Woodward's Sallary for one Year begining the 25th: of Sept: AD 1778 & also to make Provision for his fire wood the Present Year And also to know the minds of the Town what further Grant they will make the Revd: Mr: Woodward this Present Year —

2 To hear the Town Creditors accounts & act there on —

3 To Grant money to Support Schooling & Defray the Usuall Charges of the Town the present year —

4 To know the minds of the Town if they will make any further Provision for Schooling than the Grammer School & if so how much and what method for the Year Insewing —

5 To know the minds of the Town if they will abate the Rates of the Following Persons in Constable Samel: Fisks list of War Rates Viz

Gowen Brown his Pole	£2..12..3
John Stedman	2..12..3
John Wright	3.. 0 1
Elijah Kingsbury	2..12..3

6 To know the minds of the Town if they will abate the Rates of the Following Persons in Constable Samel. Livermores list in the year 1775

John Stedman	£0..15..2
Jona: Cox	0..15—2
Jesse Garfield	0..15—2
Thos. Peirce	0— 9—3

7 Also the Rates of the Following Persons in Constable Uriah Gregorys List of War Rates — Viz

Thos. Rand Jur: for his Pole	£2..12..3
Nathaniel Parminter	2..12..3
John Frost	4..15—4
Ephraim Adams	2..12—3

[158.] 8 Also the Rates of the following Persons in Constable Daniel Livermores List — Viz —

Henry Gail	£1..0..10..2
Elisha Cox	1..0..10..2
Elijah Kingsbury	1..0..10..2
John Stedman	1..0..10..2
John Wright	1..3.. 6..2
Wm. Helms	1..0..10..2

9 To know the minds of the Town if they will make any allowance to Constable Samel. Fisk & Uriah Gregory for Collecting the War Rates —

10 To know the minds of the Town if they will Allow to those men that went in their own Person to Beninton in August 1777 equal to those that hired —

11 To know the minds of the Town if they will instruct their Representative Relative to their Absentees —

They then brought in their Votes for a Moderator for sd. meeting

And Josiah Smith Esqr: Chosen

1 Voted to grant 66 (£) . . 13 (S) . . 4 (D) to the Revd Mr: Samel: Woodward for his Salery the present Year

2 Voted to Chuse a Committee of three to Treat with ye: Revd: Mr: Samel: Woodward with regard to his fire wood & provide the same —

Chosen { Colr: Braddyll Smith, Mr: John Allen, Liet: Jona: Stratton } for sd: Committee

3 Voted to grant 433 (£) . . 6 (S) . . 8 (D) as a gratuity to the Revd: Mr: Samel: Woodward the present year.

4 Voted to axcept y^{e} : Town Creditors account as now read off Viz

To M^{r}: Sam^{el}: Fisk late Constable for warning 7 Town Meetings in 1777 at 6/ Each meeting for Salery 30/ .	£3	12	0
To M^{r}. Uriah Gregory Late Constable for warning 7 Town meetings in 1777 at 6/ each meeting for Salery 30/ .	3	12	0
To Lie^{t}: Nathan Hobbs to taking the Valuation & making Rates — 13 Days at 10/ p^{r}: Day in 1778. . . .	6	10	0
To Lie^{t}. Abr^{m}: Jones to taking the Valuation & Making Rates — 16 Days at 10/ p^{r}: Day in 1778 . . .	8	0	0

Carried over

[159.] Brought over

This account is between Sep^{t}. 1777 & March 1778

To Lieu^{t}. Abr^{m}. Jones for 1 Days taking Invoice between Sep^{t}. 1777 and March 1778	0	9	0
To 8 1/2 Days taking the Second Invoice & making Rates a 10 p^{r}. D —	4	5	0
To Capt: Matthew Hobbs to 1 Days taking 1st: Invoice .	0	9	0
To 12 1/2 Days taking the Second Invoice & making Rates a 10/ p^{r}. Day	6	5	—
To Joseph Russell for 1 1/2 Days Service in drawing the Lists & taking the 1st: Invoice	0	13	6
To 17 Days drawing y^{e}: Lists & taking the 2^{d}. Invoice & making Rates a 10/ p^{r}. Day	8	10	—
To 1/2 Day Drawing a List of Voters & Writing y^{e}. Town Warrants to give out for y^{e}: Rates	0	5	0
To Paper for making the Rates &c	0	6	0

5 Voted to grant £700 to support Schooling & defray the Usual Charges of the Town the present Year

6 Voted to keep five other Schools beside the Grammer School the present Year and at the Usual Time & Places

7 Voted to allow £200 to be equally divided between the five divisions in s^{d}. Town for Schooling

8 Voted to abate the Rates of the following Persons in Constable Fisks list of War Rates Viz

John Stedman	£2..12..3
John Wright	3.. 0..1

9 Voted to abate the Rates of the following Persons in Constable Sam^{el}. Livermores list Viz

John Stedman	£0..15..2
Jon^{a}. Cox	0..15..2
Thos. Peirce	0.. 9..3
Jesse Garfield	0..15..2

10 Voted to abate y^{e}: Rates of y^{e}: following Persons in Constable Uriah Gregory s list of war Rates Viz

Thos: Rand jun^{r}: for his Pole	£2..12..3
Ephraim Adams	2..12..3

11 Voted to ajourn this Meeting to y^{e}: 22^{d}: of this Instant Oct^{o}: at 2 oClock in the aftre Noon & it was ajourned accordingly

Agreable to the ajournment of the meeting above the Inhabitants meet & Voted as followeth Viz

1 Voted to abate the Rates of the following Persons in Constabe Daniel Livermore list Viz

Henry Gail . .	£1..0..10..2	Elisha Cox . .	£1..0..10..2
John Stedman .	1..0..10..2	John Wright. .	1..3.. 6..2
W^{m}. Helms . .	1..0..10..2		

[160.] 2 Voted to allow M^{r}: Sam^{el}: Fisk & M^{r}: Uriah Gregory £6/ each for collecting y^{e}: War Rates

3 Voted to pay those men that went to Beninton in their own Person upon an everage equal to those men that hired the same campain —

4 Voted to give their Representative some instructions with regard to the absentees

Voted the following Viz

M^{r}: Joseph Roberts Si^{r}: as you are Chosen by the Inhabitants of this Town to Represent them in the Great and General Court: Your Constituants think that they have a right to Instruct their Representative from time to time as they shall think needful = Therefore the Inhabitants of this Town think it Proper at this Time to give you the following —

1 That you use your best endeavours in the Great & General Court to have such Laws made as may Prevent y^{e}: Return of any of those Persons into this Town or State who have Sought & received Protection from the British Army —

2 That you also Endeavour in s^{d} : Court that the Judges of Probate be Lawfully Authorized to appoint agents over y^{e} : Estates of all such Persons as have Died in the Town of Boston or Elsewhere while under the Protection of y^{e} : British Army

1779

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duly Qualified & Lawfully Warned in Publick Town Meeting Assembled on Munday y^{e} : 1st. Day of March AD 1779 at Ten oClock beforenoon at the Publick Meeting House in s^{d}. Town then & there —

1 To Chuse Selectmen & other Town Officers for the year Ensewing that are by Law Required —

2 To Hear the Town Treasurers account for the year Past. & act thereon

3 To know the minde of the Town wheather their Swine shall go at large the Year Ensewing —

4 To know the minde of the Town wheather they will repair their high ways by a Rate the Year Ensewing & if so grant money therefor —

5 To hear & act upon a list prepaired for the Jury Box —

6 To know the minde of the Town if they will Continue the War Committee or act any other matter or thing relative to the War affair —

7 To hear the Petition of M^{r} : Sam^{el}. Livermore & others & act thereon

8 To know the minde of the Town if they will allow to Abijah Stedman Constable the following account — Viz —

	£	S
Dec^{m}. 1778 To keeping Molley Tucker & her three Childreen one Night & part of a Day	1..	10
to Carting the above Persons to Natick it being about Eight Miles	1..	10

9 To know y^{e} : minde of the Town if they will abate the Rates of Lie^{ut} : Sam^{el} : Danforth in Constable Jonas Peirce's list which is £1 . . 3 . . 9 . . 3 And also to know the minde of the Town if they will make M^{r} : Jonas Peirce an allowance of 48/ it

being for his taking the same for Rates which proved to be a Counterfite Eight Dollar Bill

[161.] Brought over

10 To know the minde of the Town if they will abate the Rates of the following Persons in Constable Mathew Hobbs List Viz

Phinehas Jones	£0..14..9..3
Timotha Bemis	2.. 0..2..0

11 To know the minde of the Town if they will abate the rates of y^{e} : following Persons in Constable Sam^{el}. Fisks List — Viz

Gowen Brown's Pole Tax of War Rates	£2..12.. 3..0
Also his Pole Tax in the State & Town Rate . . .	1..11..10..0
And also the Rates of Benj^{a}: Upham's war Tax . .	2..12.. 3..0

12 To know the minde of the Town if they will allow to those men that went in their own Person to Horse Neck so called in 1776 equal to what those had that paid their fines —

JOSIAH SMITH ESQ^{R}: *Chosen Moderator for s^{d}. meeting*

Selectmen	JOSIAH SMITH ISAAC JONES ISRAIEL WHITTEMORE SAM^{EL}. FISK JOSEPH ROBERTS	
Town Clerk	JOEL SMITH	Sworn March y^{e} : 8th.
Town Treasurer	SAM^{EL}. FISK	Sworn March y^{e}. 8th.
Committee of Corrispond Inspection & Safety	SAM^{EL}. Livermore & he refused to Serve NATHAN HOBBS JOSIAH BIGLOW OLIVER BARBER	
Constables	SAM^{EL}. SEAVERNS JU^{R} : & the Town excepted of CAP^{T}. ESTES How in his room CAP^{T} : JOHN FLAGG & he paid his fine JOSIAH BIGLOW & the Town excused him y^{e} : present year CAP^{T}. ESTES How	Sworn march 12th.

Assessors	NATHAN HOBBS	Sworn march 8th
	ISAAC HOBBS	Sworn march 8th.
	JOSIAH STEDMAN	April 30th. 1779

Voted to ajorn this meeting to munday the 8th. Instant a one oClock P M

Agreable to the above ajournment the Inhabitants meet

Wardens	ABRM. HEWS	
	MATHEW HOBBS	
	BENJA. JONES	
Surveyors & Collectors of High Ways	JOEL SMITH	Sworn march 8th.
	ISAIAH BULLARD	& the Town excused
	JAMES SMITH JUR.	Sworn march 12th.
	JONA. WARREN	Sworn march 8th
	EBENESER STEDMAN	Sworn march 12th.
	JOHN COBURN	
[162.] Tythingmen	NATHAN HAGER	Sworn March 8th.
	HEZEKIAH WYMAN	Sworn March 8th.
Hogreaves	BENJA. DUDLEY	
	ENOCH BARTLETT	Sworn March 12th
Preservers of Deer	HEZEKIAH WYMAN	
	AMOS JONES	
Field Drivers	JAMES STIMSON JUR.	
	ABRM. JONES	Sworn March 8th.
Fence Viewers	OLIVER CONANT	Sworn march 8th
	JONA. WARREN	Sworn march 8th.
Sealears of Leather	JONAS SANDERSON	Sworn march 8th.
	JONAS PEIRCE	Sworn march 8th.
Surveyors of Bords Shingles &c.	DANIEL STRATTON	Sworn march 8th.
	THOS. RAND	Sworn march 12th.

Ezra Fisk to take Care of the Meeting House & Pound a £6 for y^{e} : Present Year and also to take Care of Buriing Yard the Present Year —

1 Voted to accept the Treasurers Account as now read off Viz — The Account of M^{r}. Sam^{el}. Fisk Treasurer from March y^{e}. 2^{d}. AD 1778 to march y^{e} : 1st. AD 1779 as followeth

	£	S	D	Q
Rec^{d}: of Major Sam^{el}: Lamson late Treasurer what remained in his hand y^{e}: last Adjustment . .	31	15	4	—
Rec^{d}. of Josiah Smith Esqr: which s^{d}. Smith Rec^{d}. of Josiah Biglow & Abr^{m}. Sanderson which they paid as fines for not serving as as Constable . . .	10	—	—	—
Rec^{d}. of Constable Daniel Livermore in part . .	101	17	5	1
Rec^{d}. of Uriah Gregory late Constable in part . .	85	—	—	—
Rec^{d}. of Sam^{el}. Livermore late Constable in full . .	10	1	—	3
Rec^{d}. of Jonas Peirce late Constable in part . .	46	7	6	3
Rec^{d}. of Jon^{a}. Fisk late Constable in part . . .	15	13	10	2
Rec^{d}. for the Rent of two Rooms in the work-house .	13	4	—	—
Rec^{d}. of Sam^{el}. Fisk late Constable in full . . .	322	5	10	—
	636	5	1	1
P^{d}. the Rev^{d}. M^{r}: Sam^{el}. Woodward in full for his Salery & fire wood 1 Year ending Sep^{t}: 25th. 1778 . .	93	6	8	
P^{d}. Wid^{o}. Sarah Capron in full for bording & Clothing Wid^{o}: Partridge & her Son to April 6th. 1778 . .	19	7	—	
P^{d}. Jonas Harrington 3^{d}. in full for bording y^{e}: Wid^{o}: Partridge & her Son 9 Months	49	10	—	
P^{d}. Jonas Harrington 3^{d}. in full for Quilting A Coat & making 3 Shirts for Wid^{o} Partridge & her Son .	2	10	—	
P^{d}. Daniel Cooledge in full Bording his Father . .	16	—	—	
Pd. Doct^{r}. Jos^{i}. Starr for Doctering Jos^{i}. Cooledge £2 & also y^{e}: Wid^{o}: Cory £7..1s also Benj^{a}. Stimson decased 6/4	9	7	4	
P^{d}. Isaac Jones ju^{r}. in full for keeping a Reading & Writing School 11 week in 1777	9	12	—	
P^{d}. Abel Flint in full for keeping a Reading & Writing School 2 Months in 1778	8	—	—	
P^{d}. Thos: Russell ju^{r}. his Note of hand £6..6..8 & Interest 18/	7	14	8	
P^{d}. John Barbarick a Continantal Soldier that went for Weston	9	—	—	
P^{d}. Joseph Seaverns Plank Timber & work at the New Bridge	12	9	—	
Carried over	234	16	8	

	£	S	D	Q
[163.] Brought over	234	16	8	
Pd. Capt: Israiel Whittemore for bording School Master Wright 9 weeks	9	18		
Pd. Jonas Peirce for bording School Master Wright 8 weeks	9	2		
Pd. Joel Smith for keeping a Reading & Wrighting School 6 weeks & 2 Days & bording himself in 1778	12	16		
Pd. Capt. Israiel Whittemore in full for bording Loice Peirce 6 week	4	10		
Pd. Mr Benja. Peirce for Plank for the Town Bridge .	2	5		
Pd. Master Phinehas Wright in full for keeping the Grammr. School Eight Months ending Febr. 7th. 1779	73	10		
Pd. Elisha Cox for bording Loice Peirce 12 Weeks .	9	12		
Pd. Jonas Sanderson for 2 Pair of Shoes for Wido. Partridge & her Son	5	2		
Pd. Benja. Dudley for 12 feet of wood for the School .	2	5		
Pd. Samel. Train jur. for 14 feet of wood for the School	2	12	6	
Pd. Mr. Thos: Rand for Pramlating ye. line between the Towns & wood for School & for a Coffin for Josiah Cooledge & a number other articles as appears by his account	5	6		
Pd. Mr. Elisha Warren for a Cow for the Wido. Willington for ye. Use of the Town	5	7	6	
Pd. Mr. Joseph Roberts for keeping a Reading & Writing School in 1778	8	—		
Pd. Coln. Braddyll Smith for plank for Town Bridges .	1	4		
Pd. Mr: Joseph Roberts for 3 Yards of Wooling Cloth for Wido. Partridge	2	11		
Pd. James Stimson for 2 1/2 Cord of wood for the School	4	10		
Pd. Major. Samel. Lamson 1 Cord of wood for the School	1	10		
Pd. Josiah Allen for 1/2 Cord of wood for the School .		15		
Pd. Nathan Hager for 1/2 Cord of wood for the School		15		
Pd. Liut: Abrm. Jones for taking ye: Valuation & Invoice & making Rates 25 1/2 Days in 1777 & 1778 . .	12	14		
Pd. the Revd: Mr: Samel. Woodward in part for his Salery the Present Year	65	—		
Pd. the Selectmen of Newton for Doctering Nursing and other Necessaries paid by ye: Selectmen of Newton for Silas Stearns & Family while under ye: operation of ye: Small Pox ye: Natural way	21	12	9	
Pd. Benja: Jones for bording Master Wright 8 Weeks & 5 Days	7	16		
Pd. Jona: Underwood for 1/2 Cord of wood for the School		15		
Pd. Capt. Jona. Fisk for 9 feet of wood for the School in 1779	4	1		

Pd. Samel. Livermore for 1 Cord of wood in 1778 £1..10s & making Cartridges 6/0	1	16	
Pd. Joseph Russell for keeping a Reading & writing School & bording himself 36 Days in 1778 . .	4	16	
Pd. Lydia Goddard for bording Loice Peirce from ye: 3d: of Octo: 13 weeks	11	14	
Also for Sunderies & Trouble for taking Care of Loice Peirce when burnt	5	17	
Pd. Dotr: Wm. Ward for Doctering wido: Partridge & her Son in 1777 & 1779	12	6	4
Also Doctering Wido. Gale 44/ & 14 Visits & medicins for Loice Peirce £9..13..6	11	17	6
Pd. 3 of the Selectmen for going to ye: Counses to get 4 Men Relaesed that were drafted by order of Coln: Brooks	6	7	—
Pd. 2 of the Selectmen for going to Coln. Brooks's 24/ & to 3 of the Selectmen going to ye: Counsel in order to get ye: guard dismised yt: was set to guard ye: Baken erected in sd. Town of Weston £6—0—0	7	4	—
Pd. Capt. Israiel Whittemore for hiring money for ye: Use of the Town	3	15	—
Pd. Samel. Fisk for taking Care of the meeting House & Pound in 1777 36/ & for 7 Yds: Cloth for ye. Wdo. Partridge & her Son £7..10	9	6	—
Pd. Constable Daniel Livermore by an abatement £5.. 7*S*..1*D* Pd. Constable Samel. Livermore by an abatement 2..14.9	8	1	10
Pd. Capt. Israiel Whittemore for 1 1/2 Yd: of Baze for loice Peirce	3	12	—
Pd. for Repairing Watertown Bridge & Expences of the Selectmen 38/ for advertising ye: Burying Cloth 36/	3	14	—
Pd. Constable Samel. for warning 7 Town Meeting & his Salery 72/ & for Collecting the war Rate £6.0.0 .	9	2	—
Pd. Constable Uriah Gregory for warning 7 Town Meetings & his Salery 72/ & for Collecting ye: war Rate £6.0.0	9	12	—
Carried up	619	7	1

	£	*S*	*D*	
[164.] Brought up	619	7	1	
Pd. Liet: Abrm: Jones by an assignment 36/ Pd: Liet: Daniel Livermore by an assignment 29/ . .	3	05	—	
Pd. Constable Jona: Fisk by an abatement 38/s 10/2 Pd. Constable Jonas Peirce by an abatement £3..19.. 6..3	5	18	5	1
Pd. Timotha Pike for making a Bier	1	4	—	

P^{d}. Capt: Isaac Jones for 19 lights of Glass & 3/4 lb Putty for the School House	6	18	—
P^{d}. Elisha Cox for 2 Days work mending y^{e}: School House Chimney & finding himself	2	—	—
P^{d}. Oliver Barber for Clay for the School House Chimney		18	—
P^{d}. for one Hundred & half of Board Nails for the School House	1	2	1
P^{d}. M^{r}: Thos: Rand for Seting Glass & his Sons work in mending the School House	1	4	—
P^{d}. Capt. Israiel Whittemore for 2 1/2 Days work at the School House & finding himself . . .	2	10	—
P^{d}. for 2 Locks & Keys for the School Housen . .	1	4	—
P^{d}. Sam^{el}. Fisk for 3 1/2 Days work a the School House & finding himself	3	10	—
P^{d}. for one Yard of Cloth for an Apron & making y^{e}: Same 20/ for Knitting a pair of Stocking 10/ & making a Gound & Peticoat for Loice Peirce 7/ .	1	17	—
P^{d}. Jonas Harrington y^{d}. 3 for 2 Yards of Read Baze for Wid^{o}. Partridge & her Son	4	16	—
	655	13	7¼

We y^{e}. Subscribers being appointed by the Selectmen to Examin the Treasurers accounts & we find them well vouched & wright Cast & there is due to y^{e}. Treasurer 20 8 4

JOSIAH SMITH
ISAAC JONES
JOEL SMITH

Remains in late Constable David Stearns's Hands . .	2	1	1½
Remains in late Constable Mathew Hobbs's Hands . .	4	5	8¾
Remains in late Constable Thos: Russells Hands . .	2	5	8½
Remains in late Constable Jon^{a}: Fisk's Hands . .	2	0	0¼
Remains in late Constable Daniel Livermore's Hands .	21	12	0¾
Remains in late Constable Jonas Peirce's Hands . .	30	19	6¼
Remains in late Constable Uriah Gregory's Hands . .	196	—	10
Remains in present Constable Abijah Stedman's Hands .	627	18	3¼
Remains in present Constable Joseph Russell's Hands .	572	1	8¾

2 Voted that their Swine go at learge the present year being regulated according to Law

3 Voted to repair their high ways by a rate & to grant Money therefor & to allow 3/ per Hour for working out ye Same

4 Voted to grant Three Hundred Pounds to repair their high way the present Year

5 Voted to accept of the List prepaired for the Jury Box

6 Voted to Continue the War Committee

7 Voted to Chuse a Committee to examin the War Committee's accounts

Misi[rs]. ELISHA HARRINGTON
JOSEPH RUSSELL
THO[s]. RAND
} Chosen a Committee for s[d]. Purpose

8 Voted to grant Three Thousand Pounds to Support the War.

[165.] 9 Voted to Chuse a Committee of 5 agreable to the petition of M[r] Sam[el]: Livermore & others

CAPT JOHN FLAGG
M[R]: SAM[EL]. LIVERMORE
LIEU[T]: ABR[M]: JONES
M[R]: DANIEL STRATTON
LIU[T]. JOSEPH WHITNEY
} Committee

10 Voted that they make a report at the next May Meeting

11 Voted to Allow Abijah Stedman three Pounds for Supporting & mooving Mary Tucker and her Family —

12 Voted to abate the Rates of Lieu[t]. Sam[el] Danforth in Constable Jonas Peirce's list . . . . £1..3..9..3

13 Voted to allow Jones Peirce 48/ as set forth in the Warrant . . . . . 2..8—0—0

14 Voted to abate the Rates of the following Persons in Constable Mathew Hobbs List

Viz Phinehis Jones . . . . . £0..14..9..3
Timotha Bemis . . . . . 2.. 0..2..0

15 Voted to abate the Rates of the following Persons in Constable Sam[el]: Fisk's list

Viz Gowin Brown's Pole of War State & Town Rates . . £4.. 4..1
Benj[a]: Upham War Tax . . . . . 2..12..3

16 Voted not to act upon the Twelth Article mentioned in the Warrant

17 Voted to ajourn this meeting to Fryday next at Four oClock. P. M.

Agreable to the above ajournment y^{e}. Inhabitant Assembled And Voted to accept of Capt Eastes How as Constable in the room of Sam^{el}. Seaverns j^{r}.

Gentlemen

Whereas it has the Practice of the Inhabitants of this Town of Weston, to take those Pews in the publick Meeting-House into their care, when Persons have deseased to whom they were granted during life; and have sold the same at publick Sale; and appropriated the Money arising from the Sale thereof to the Use of s^{d}. Town: And whereas we judge there are sundry Pews in s^{d}: House of y^{e}. same Denomination of those sold as afore s^{d}: We the Subscribers therefore request you gentlemen, that you insert an article in your Warrant for the annual Town Meeting to be assembled on the first Munday of March next; To know the minds of the Inhabitants of s^{d}. Town whether they will not Choose a Committee to examine into s^{d}. affair; and likewise to require them to make report at the next following Town Meeting that may be held in s^{d}. Town of the Number which in their Judgement come under the Denomination afore s^{d}. and also by whom occupied; as preparatory to their being disposed of

So pray your petitioners

Weston Feb^{r}. 5th. 1779

To the Gentlemen Selectmen of Weston

The above is a true Coppy of the Petition of M^{r}: Sam^{el}. Livermore & others

[166.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston being duly Qualified to Votete for a Representative and Lawfully warned in Publick Town Meeting Assembled on Munday y^{e}: 24th. of May AD 1779 at two oClock in the After noon the Inhabitants then brought in their

Votes and JOSIAH SMITH ESQR: was chosen to Represent them in the Great & General Court to be convened held & keept for the Goverment's Service at the State House in Boston in the County of Suffolk upon Wednesday the Twenty Sixth Day of May Instant

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston being duly Qualified to Vote in Town affairs & Lawfully warned in Publick Town Meeting Assembled on Munday ye: 24th. Day of May AD 1779 at three oClock P. M:

1 To hear the report of the Committee relative to Certing Pews and Pew Groun in the Publick Meeting-House in Weston & act thereon or act any Matter or Thing relative to the Pews or Pew ground in sd. House that the Town shall think proper

2 To hear the war Treasurers account & act thereon

3 To know the mind of the Town if they will make Samel: Seaverns jur any allowance for his being Chosen Constable in 1777 & paying his fine or act any other matter or thing relative there thereto

4 To know the mind of the Town if they will order the agent on the Estate of Elisha Jones Esqr. to move the Horse Steable that stands on the Towns Land or act any other matter or thing relative thereto

JOSIAH SMITH ESR. *Chosen Moderator*

Voted 1 To pass over the first article in the Warrant

Voted 2 To accept of the War treasurers account as now read off

The Town of Weston to Isaac Hobbs as Treasurer Dr.

1778 Paid the following Persons for Guarding the British Troops at Cambridge 5 Months

	£	S	D
Viz Pd. Philemon Warren in full	21	0	0
Pd. Joseph Stone in full	6	—	
Pd John Hager in full	21	—	
Pd George Farrer in full	9	6	
Pd Jedidiah Warren in full	21	—	
Pd. Nathan Warren in full	24	12	
Pd. Penanuel Pratt in full	2	—	

Pd. Nathan Fisk in full	30	—	
Pd. Henry Bond in full	20	—	
Pd. Joshua Jenison in full	7	—	
Pd. Nathan Hager in full	30	—	
	200	18	0

for 3 Months guarding at Cambridge

	£	S	D
Pd. Edward Cabott in full	33	—	
Pd. Joseph Coburn in full	33	—	
Pd. Isaac Gregory in full	25	10	
Pd. Isaac Peirce in full	33	—	
Pd. Jonas Peirce in full	27	—	
Pd. Artemas Cox in full	24	—	
Pd. John Bemis in part	13	19	3
Pd. Joseph Mastick in full	21	—	
Pd. Peter Cory in full	21	—	
Pd Simeon Pike in full	22	8	
Pd Keen Robinson in full	15	10	
Pd. Daniel Bemis in full	28	10	
Pd. Daniel Rand in full	13	14	
Pd. Thos. Harrington in full	33	—	
	346	11	3

[167.] for Six months guarding at Cambridge

	£	S	D
Pd. Nathll. Wyman in full	36	10	
Pd. John Bemis in Part	3	—	
Pd. Isaac Gregory in full	44	—	
	£83	10	—

For the Nine Months men as followeth

Viz. Pd. Keen Robinson in full	140	—	
Pd. Jeduthin Bemis in full	140	—	
Pd. Joseph Mastick in full	140	—	
Pd. James Bemis in full	140	—	
Pd. Samel. Baley in full	130	—	
Pd. Daniel Davis in full	70	—	
Pd. Peter Cary in full	140	—	
	£900	—	—

For Six Months at Rhode Island

Pd. Abel Peirce	55	14	
Pd. Phinehas Stimson	54	2	0
Pd. Jonas Parmenter in full	54	2	
Pd. David Livermore in full	54	2	
Pd. John Roberts in full	52	—	
Pd. Solomon Parminter in full	54	2	
	£324	2	0

For Six Weeks at Rhode Island

Pd. Wm. Richardson in full Including his Wages	41	—	
Pd. Samel. Bond in full	40	—	
Pd. Alpheus Biglow in full	39	18	
Pd. Buckley Adams in full	39	18	
Pd. Pananuel Pratt in full	39	18	
Pd. Abner Mathies in Part	39	7	6
Pd. Nathan Fisk in part	30	—	
Pd Amos Peirce in Part	9	—	
Pd. Phinehas Hager in full	39	18	
Pd. Silas Livermore in full	39	18	
Pd. Jonas Underwood in full	39	18	
Pd. James Peocock in full	40	4	
Pd. James Cogswell in full	39	18	
	£478	17	6

For Eight Months at North River

Pd. Oliver Curtis in full	125	—	
Pd. Ebenr: Phillips in full	125	10	
Pd Joseph Stone in full	120	10	
Pd. John Hager	104	18	
Pd. John Richardson	110	—	
	£585	18	0

For 3 Months & 10 Days at Boston

Pd. Nathel. Bemis in full	60	—	
Pd. James Wale in full	60	—	
Pd. Artemas Cox in full	60	—	
Pd. Major Lamson for his Son in part	13	—	
	£193	—	—

For guarding the Bacon [Beacon]

Pd. Mr: Jonas Sanderson in ful	28	12	
Pd. Mr: Nathel. Felch in ful for his Son	22	8	
Pd. Joel Harrington in full	22	8	
Pd. Nathel. Parmenter in full	22	8	
Pd. Thads Peirce in full	4	12	
Pd. Daniel Rand in full	27	—	
	£127	8	0

For those that are now gone to Rhode Island for Six weeks

Pd. Joseph Stone in part	36	—	
Pd. John Bemis in part	20	—	
Pd. Daiel Bemis in part	20	—	
	£76	0	0

Paid to the following Persons for Money Borrowed &c Viz

	£	S	D
Mr: Samel. Fisk	145	12	
Mr: Jona. Fisk	113	3	
Mr: Jacob Bigelow	61	16	
Mr: John Sanderson	61	4	
Mr: Wm. Hosmer	154	10	
Mrs: Anna Biglow	31	4	
Mr: Elisha Warren	15	7	6
Mr: Joseph Russell	2	8	
Mr: Abijah Warren	15	14	
by abatement in Constable Samel. Fisk's list of Rates	10	16	10
by abatement in Constable Uriah Gregory's list	5	4	6
Mr: Samel. Fisks Expences in going to Boston 2 Journeys to procure men for the Town	2	14	
Mrs: Sarah Cox	27	3	4
Mr: Joseph Russell	2	8	
The above Total	£649	5	2
1st Folting brought foward	200	18	—
2d do do	346	11	3
3d. do do	83	10	—
4th. do do	900	—	—
5th. do do	324	2	—
6th. do do	478	17	6
7th. do do	585	18	—
8th do do	193	—	—
9th do do	127	8	—
10th. do do	76	—	—
Amount of the whole	£3965	9	11

[168.] The Town of Weston to Isaac Hobbs Treasurer Cr: by Money Borrowed and Recel. of Sundery Persons for the Use of the Town of Weston from may 1778 to May 1779 are as followeth

Viz	£	S	D
of Mr: Israiel Whittemore	90		
of Mrs. Anna Biglow	30		
of Mr: Jona Fisk of Waltham	60		
of Mr. John Sanderson	60		
of Mr: Eben: Philips	50		
of M. Samel. Fisk Fisk	140		
of Mr. Benja. Stearns	100		
of Mr. Stephen White	220		
of Capt. Jona. Fisk	100		
of Major Samel Lamson	30		
of Mr. Joseph Coburn	33		
Recd of Samel. Fisk late Constable	127	7	5
Recd. of Abijah Stedman late Constable	860	10	7

	£	S				
of Mr: Enoch Greenlief	352	4	Carried out	422	4	0
of Mrs: Sarah Cox	26			56		
of Mr: Thos: Fisk	50			110		
of Mr: Ellr: Hammond	300			360		
of Mr: Jacob Biglow	60			110		
of Mr. Wm. Hosmer	150			290		
of Capt. Jona: Fisk.	120			220		
of Mrs. Anna Biglow	50			270		
				100		
of Mr. John Sanderson	100			130		
of Mr. John Richardson	100			133		
of Uriah Gregory late Constabl.	142	3/7		269	11	11
of Joseph Russell late Constable	930			1790	10	
Total of Credit				£4281	5	0
Total amount of Debt				3965	9	11
Remains				£315	15	1

We the Subscribers being chosen by the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston to examine the accounts of Mr. Isaac Hobbs Treasurer of the War Committee (so called) And have carefully attended the same find them well Vouched and right Cast; And there remains in said Treasurers Hands

	£315—15— 1
In Mr. Uriah Gregory's late Constables Hand . . .	17—10— —
In Mr. Abijah Steadmans late Constables Hands . .	438—13— 5
In Mr. Joseph Russells late Constables Hands . . .	290—13— 6

WESTON May 22d 1779 ELISHA HARRINGTON, THOMAS RAND, JOSEPH RUSSELL } Committee

[169.] Brought over

3d Voted to allow to Samel. Seaverns jur: the fine which he has paid as a fine for not serving as Constable in 1777

4ly Voted not to act on the forth Article

5th. Voted not act on the Report of the Committee at this time as mentioned in the Warrant but that it be ajourned to the 2d. Munday in Sept. next at one oClock

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants on Munday ye. 2d: of August AD. 1779 at one oClock P. M. being legally warned & for the purpose mentioned in ye. Warrant Assembled passed the following Votes

Viz — 1 Voted to send two members to the Convention for the Sole purpose of forming a New Constitution or Form of Goverment

MESSIRs. JOSEPH ROBERTS, JOHN ALLEN } Chosen for the above purpose

2 Voted that the delegates transmit a Printed Coppey of the Form of Goverment they shall agree upon unto the Selectmen in order that the same may be laid before the Town afore sd. for their approbation or disapprobation

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitant of the Town of Weston that are Qualified to Vote in Town affairs being Legally warned in Publick Town Meeting Asssembled on Munday ye. 2d. Day of August AD 1779 at three oClock P. M.

1st. To know the minde of the Town if they will hear the proceeding of the Convention held at Concord on ye. 14th. Instant and act thereon —

2d. & Also to Chuse one or more delegates to meet at Concord as recommended by the Convention —

3d. To know the mind of the Town if they will Chuse a Committee to regulate Sundery articles as recommended by the Convention

4th To know the mind of the Town if they will Chuse a Collector to Collect ye: present Tax yt. is now cuming out or make an allowance to Capt. Estus Howe for collecting ye. same or act any other matter or thing Relative thereunto

5th. To know the mind of the Town if they will allow Mr: Phinehas Upham something more for the last Ten cord of wood which he carried to the Revd. Mr: Woodward that he has not received his money agreed for —

[170.] Josiah Smith Esqr. *Chosen Moderator for sd. Meeting*

1st. Voted to hear the proseedings of the Convention held at Concord on the 14th. of July Last And after the same was read —

2 Voted Unanimously that we approve of & will abide by the proceedings of the sd. Convention

3 Voted to Chuse two Deligates to attend on the Convention to be held at Concord on the first Wednesday of October next

Mesires. { Samel. Fisk / Thos: Rand } Chosen for the above Purpose

4 Voted to Chuse Nine Men as a Committee to regulate the price of Sundery articles as Recommended by the above sd. Convention

Capt. Estus Howe
Mr: Samel. Fisk
Capt. Mathew Hobbs
Mr: Jonas Sanderson
Capt: Isaac Jones
Mr: Enoch Greenlief
Mr: Thos. Rand
Capt. Israiel Whittemore
Mr: Phinehas Upham
} Committee

5 Voted to allow Capt. Howe one Hundred Pounds to Collect the present Great Contanantal Tax —

6 Voted not to allow M^{r}: Phinahas Upham request as mentioned in the warrant

At a Meeting of ye Inhabitants of y^{e}. Town of Weston on y^{e} : 19th. of August 1779 at three oClock P. M. then & there assembled & passed y^{e} : following Votes —

Viz 1 *Chosen* Josiah Smith Esq^{R}. *moderator for s^{d}. meeting*

Voted to here the Report of the Committee Chosen to regulate Sundery article

Voted to accept of the Report of y^{e}. Committee of which Capt. Estus Howe is Chareman

Voted y^{t} : there be a Coppy of y^{e} : above s^{d} : Report posted up at every Publick House in s^{d}. Town by the Clark of the Town at the Town's Cost

Voted to Chuse a Committee of five to see that every one in this Town abide by the articles afore sd

Cap^{T}. Estus Howe M^{R} : Benj^{A}. Peirce M^{R} : Israiel Whittemore M^{R} : Thos Rand Cap^{T}. Mathew Hobbs	Committee

Voted that y^{e} : Committee shall Publish the Names of all those that shall transgress and that the Town will support them in all their Lawful proceedings —

Voted y^{t} : y^{e}. Committee shall make return to the Town of their doings when y^{e} : Town sees fitt

[Note. *For Town Meeting, Nov.* 15, 1779, *see page* 282.]

[171.] **1780**

At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston that are by Law Qualified to Vote in Town affairs in Publisk Town meeting assembled on Munday the Sixth Day of March AD 1780 —

1 To Chuse Selectmen & other Town officers for the Year Ensewing that are by Law required

2 To hear the Town Treasurers account for the Year past and act thereon

3 To know the minde of y^{e}. Town wheather their Swine shall go at large y^{e}. Year ensewing

4 To know the minde of the Town Wheather they will Repair their high ways by a Rate the Year ensewing and if so grant money therefor —

5 To hear and act upon a list prepaired for the Jury Box —

6 To know the minde of the Town what further grant they will make to the Rev^{d}. M^{r}: Sam^{el}. Woodward for the present Year —

7 To know the minde of the Town whether they will make a further grant to defray the Town charges the present Year

8 To hear the accounts of the Delegates chosen by the Town to attend on the Convention to form a new Constatution of Goverment & act thereon —

9 To hear the accounts of the Former & Present Assessors that have not rec^{d}. their money for services done the Town and act thereon —

10 To know the minde of the Town if they will for the future have y^{e}. annual March meeting warned by being posted up at the Publick meeting House in this Town two Publick Day before s^{d}. meeting —

11 To know the minde of the Town if they will Continue the War Committee or act anything relating to the War affair

12 To know the mide of the Town if they will chuse a Committee to assurtain the Pounds [Bounds] of the Meeting House Lot & the Road ajoin thereto and make report to the Town the next Town meeting —

The following Persons were chose into office

Viz Josiah Smith Esqr. *Moderator for s^{d}. Meeting*

Selectmen { Ab^{m}: Jones
Israiel Whittemore
Sam^{el}. Fisk
Nathan Hobbs
Thad^{ds}. Spring }

Town Clerk — Joel Smith Sworn march 13th.

Town Treasurer	SAM^{EL}. FISK	Sworn march 13th.
Committee of Corispond &c	Voted that the Selectmen be the Committee	
Constables	INCREAS LEADBERTER & y^{e}. Town axcepted JONAS PEIRCE in his Room Sworn March 13 JOSIAH BIGLOW and the Town excused him for this year	
Assessors	NATHAN HOBBS	Sworn March 13
	ELISHA HARRINGTON	do March 13
	ABIJAH STEDMAN	
[172.] Wardins	——	——
Surveyors and Collectors of High Ways	HEZEKIAH WYMAN	Sworn March 13
	JAMES STIMSON JU^{R}.	
	JOHN COBURN	Sworn March 13
	DANIEL STRATTON	Sworn March 13
	JOHN WARREN JU^{R}.	Sworn March 21
Tythingmen	JONAS PEIRCE	Sworn March 13
	DANIEL STRATTON	— do — 13
Hodgreves	URIAH GREGORY	Sworn March 13
	W^{M}. BOND	— do — 13
Preserver of Dier	SAM^{EL}. LIVERMORE	
	MICAH WARREN	
Field Drivers	SAM^{EL}. TRAIN JU^{R}.	Sworn March 13
	JONAS PIERCE	— do — 13
Fence Viewers	DANIEL STRATTON	— do — 13
	CAP^{T}. SMITH	— do — 13
Sealers of Leather	NATHAN HAGER	Sworn March 13
	JONAS SANDERSON	— do — 13
Surveyors of Lumber	THO^{S}. RAND	Sworn March 13
	ELISHA HARRINGTON	— do — 13

Voted to ajourn this meeting to this Day week at 10 oClock A. M.

agreable to the above ajournment the Inhabitants Assembled

To Take care of the Meeting House Ezra Fisk and that he be allowed Thirty Pounds —

1 Voted to accept the Town Treasurers account as now read Viz — The Accounts of Sam^{el}. Fisk Treasurer from March the 1st. AD 1779 to March the 3^{d}. AD 1780 — is as followeth Viz —

	£	S	D	Q
Rec^{d}. of Constable Mathew Hobbs in full . . .	4	5	8	3
Rec^{d}. of Constable Thos. Russell in full . . .	2	5	8	2
Rec^{d}. of Constable Jon^{a}. Fisk in full	2	—	—	1
Rec^{d}. of Constable Daniel Livermore in full . .	21	12	—	3
Rec^{d}. of Constable Jonas Peirce in full . . .	30	19	6	1
Rec^{d}. of Constable Uriah Gregory in full . . .	196	—	10	—
Rec^{d}. of Constable Abijah Stedman in part . . .	588	11	—	—
Rec^{d}. of Constable Joseph Russell in part . . .	534	10	9	—
Rec^{d}. of the present Constable Estus Howe in part .	862	11	6	—
Rec^{d}. of Jos^{i}. Smith Esqr. £15 which he rec^{d}. of Capt. Flagg for a fine for not Serving Constable . .	15	—	—	—
Rec^{d}. for Pork that the Selectmen bought for the Use of the Town	21	12	—	—
Rec^{d}. for the rent of the workhouse	23	10	—	—
Rec^{d}. for the rent of the Pew that was Col^{n}. Jones's .	14	18	—	—
Money Borrowed & Rec^{d}. for the Use of the Town .	172	10	—	—
	£2490	7	1	2
P^{d}. Myself the balance due to me the last ajustment .	20	8	4	
P^{d}. the Rev^{d}. M^{r}: Sam^{el}. Woodward in full for his Salery 1 Year ending Sep^{t}. 25th. 1779	500	—	—	
P^{d}. the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Sam^{el}. Woodward in part for this present year	300	—	—	
P^{d}. Phinehas Upham for 20 Cord & 1 foot of wood delivered to the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Woodward . . .	72	13	6	
P^{d}. Mr^{s}. Rebe^{a}. Baldwin for bording Master Wright 18 weeks a £4..10*s* per week	81	—	—	
P^{d}. Capt Is^{r}: Whittemore for Support of John Walkers ju^{r}. Family & for Repairing 2 School Houses .	15	9	—	
P^{d}. Capt. Is^{r}. Whittemore for Carring Part of the Subscribtion Clothing to Concord	1	16	—	
P^{d} — d^{o} — for Cash Pork & Moving the School Master & as appears by his account	33	10	—	
Carried over	1024	6	10	0

[173.] Brought over	1024	6	10	—
P^{d}. Sam^{el}. Train ju^{r}. for 1 1/2 Cord of wood for the School	5	8	—	—
P^{d}. Wid^{o}. Abigail Spring in full for what the Town allow^{d}. to the Heirs of Capt Spring . . .	1	12	—	—
P^{d}. M^{r}: Joseph Mudge for keeping y^{e}. Writing School 4 Months in 1778 & 1779	54	—	—	—
P^{d}. Joseph Seaverns in full for bording Master Mudge 9 weeks	12	—	—	—
P^{d}. Benj^{a}. Rand for hewing 2 String Peases for the New bridge so call^{d}	5	18	—	—
P^{d}. Wid^{o}. Anna Biglow for 33 feet of wood for the Use of the School	14	17	—	—
Also for 4 Bushels of I Corn for John Walkers ju^{r}. Family	21	12	—	—
P^{d}. Master Wright in full for keeping the Grammer School 2 Months	48	—	—	—
P^{d}. Daniel Stratton for wood for the Wid^{o}. Willington	1	16	—	—
P^{d}. James Smith in full for 1/2 Cord of wood for Wid^{o}. Willington	2	14	—	—
P^{d}. for repairing the great bridge in 1779 & also y^{e}. Selectmen Expences	90	19	9	2
P^{d}. Nathan Hager for wood for the School . . .	10	16	—	
P^{d}. James Smith ju^{r}. for 1/2 Cord of wood for the Wid^{o}. Willington	1	16	—	
P^{d}. Ab^{r}. Sanderson the Differance between the Town Cow and his	25	—	—	
P^{d}. M^{r}. Jud^{e} Damon for Supplying the Pulpit in Weston 6 Sabbaths	30	—	—	
P^{d}. Sam^{el}. Train in full for bording & nursing y^{e}. Wid^{o}: Abig^{l}. Gale 3 1/2 Weeks in 1777 . . .	10	10	—	
P^{d}. Nathaniel Allen for keeping the Winter School 2 Months & bording himself in 1778 . . .	40	—	—	
P^{d}. Abel Flint for keeping School 8 weeks in 1778 & 1779	24	—	—	
P^{d}. Wid^{o}: Lydia Goddard for bording Loice Peirce 6 Months	47	10	—	
P^{d}. Thos. Rand for a Lader for the Meeting House & a Spring Piece for the New Bridge	24	—	—	
P^{d}. Moses Harrington for 12 Cord of wood Carried to the Rev^{d}. M^{r}: Woodward	240	—	—	
P^{d}. Mr: Joseph Roberts for Carring part of the Subscribtion Clothing to Concord	1	16	—	
P^{d}. Joseph Seavers [Seaverns] for bording M^{r}: Budge [Mudge] 5 Weeks & 2 Days a £9: in 1779 & 1780 .	47	—	—	
P^{d}. Doc^{r}: W^{m}. Ward for medisins & Tendance on Wid^{o}. Partridge & her Son	19	7	8	

Pd. Capt. Estus Howe for Collecting the Grate Continantal Tax	100	—	—	
Pd. Jonas Peirce for 1 Cord of wood & for mending ye. North west School House	23	12	—	
Pd. James Stimson for 32 feet of Timber for ye. N. Bridge & 90 feet of 3 Inch Blank	37	—	—	
Pd. Benja. Jones for bording Mr: Flint 9 weeks from ye. 25th. Novr.	90	—	—	
Pd. Daniel Stratton for 6 feet of wood for the School	15	—	—	
Pd. Jonas Harrington jur. for 55 feet of Plank for the Town Bridges	6	7	6	
Pd. Joel Smith for writing 10 Coppies of Sundey articles set by the Convention and Voted by this Town & ordered to be posted up at the Inholders & retailers in sd. Town	12	—	—	
Pd. Mr: Joseph Roberts for Supplying the Grammer School with wood a the South west School	32	7	6	
Pd. Capt. Flagg for 1/2 Cord of wood provided for the Revd. Mr: Woodward at ye. extraordinary Season	15	12	—	
Pd. Wido. Willington for bording ye. Wido: Partridge & her Son Wm. 20 weeks from the 15th. of octo to the 3d. of March	300	—	—	
Pd. Jonos Harrington jur. in full for bording ye. Wido. Partridge & her Son Wm. to Apr 13th. 1779	37	13	4	
Pd. Jonas Harrington jur. for Nursing the Wido. Partridge when Sick	18	—	—	
Pd. Jonas Harrington jur. for bording the wido. Partridg & her Son Wm. 6 Months	162	—	—	
Pd. Myself for Clothing & Beding for the Wido. Partridge & her Son	43	1	—	
Pd. Myself for repairing the Meeting House and the New Bridge	23	14	—	
Pd. for the Support of Josiah Allen jur. Family a Continantal Soldier	96	5	9	
Pd. for the Support of the Family of John Barbrick a Continantal Soldier	76	4	—	
Pd. for the Support of the Family of Nathaniel Thomas a Continantal Soldier	189	—	—	
Pd. for the Support of the Family of John Walkers jur. a Continantal Soldier	127	7	2	
Pd. Capt. Mathew Hobbs by an abatement £2 14 11 3 & by assignment £6..14	9	5	11	3
Pd. Decn. Thomas Russell by an abatement	1	1	—	—
Pd. Ezra Fisk for taking Care of the Meeting House in 1778	3	—	—	—
Carried up	£3224	3	6	1

[174.]	£	S	D	Q
Brought up	£3224	3	6	1
P^d^. Abijah Stedman by an assignment	3	—	—	—
P^d^. Jonas Peirce by an abatement	3	11	10	—
P^d^. Joseph Russell for keeping School 24 Days a 6/8 p^r^. Day	9	4	—	—
and for Pork & for Shingles for the use of the Town	39	1	4	—
	3279	—	8	1

We the Subscribers appointed by the Selectmen of Weston to examine the Treasurers accounts have attended the Same & find them well vouched & wright Cast & there is due to the

Treasurer	788	13	6	3
Remains in the late Constable Abijah Stedmans Hands	39	7	3	1
Remains in the late Constable Joseph Russells Hands	37	10	11	3
Remains in y^e^. Present Constable Estus Howe's hands	2137	8	6	—

JOSEPH ROBERTS
JOEL SMITH

2 Voted that their Swine go at large being regulated according to Law

3 Voted to repair their high ways by a Rate & there be allowe^d^. 10*s* an hour to each man that works

4 Voted to grant £1000. to repair their high ways the present Year

5 Voted to accept of the List prepaired for the Jurey Box as now read

6 Voted not to act upon the Sixth Seventh Eighth Ninth & Tenth article mentioned in the warrant

7 Voted to chuse a Committee of 5 Persons to assurtain the the Meeting House lot and the roads ajoining there to

Messe^rs^. CAPT ESTUS HOWE
JOHN ALLEN
JONAS HARRINGTON
LIE^UT^. STRATTON
CAP^T^: WHITTEMORE
} Committee

Voted to excuse Josiah Biglow from Serving Constable for the present

M^{r}. Enoch Greenlief Chosen Constabl & the Town excused him for this year

Capt. John Flagg Chosen Constable & the Town excused him for this year

Benjn. Dudley Chosen Constable Sworn March 21st.

Voted to ajourn this meeting to this Day week at 4 oClock P. M.

agreable to the above ajournment the Inhabitants meet & Voted to ajourn for 1 Hour

agreabl to the above ajournment the Inhabitants meet and dissolved the meeting

[175.] [NOTE. *This page was left blank, probably to call attention to the fact that the Report of the Town Meeting on the next page had been omitted from its proper place. See date.*]

[176.] **1779**

At a meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston being Duly Qualified & Lawfully warned in Publick Town Meeting assembled on Munday y^{e}. 15th. of Nov^{m}. AD 1779 at eleven oClock A. M. at the Publick Meeting House in s^{d}. Town then & there —

1 To Grant Money to Pay the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Sam^{el}. Woodward's Sallery for one Year beginning 25th. of Sep^{t}. AD 1779 & also to make Provision for his firewood for said year —

2 To know the minde of the Town what allowance they will make to the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Sam^{el}. Woodward over and above his usual Sallery for the present Year

3 To Hear y^{e}. Town Creditors account and act thereon —

4 To Grant Money to Support Schooling & Defray y^{e}. Usual Charges of y^{e}. Town

5 To know the minde of the Town if they will make any further Provision for Schooling than y^{e}. Grammer School & if so how much & what method for y^{e}. Year Insewing

6 To know y^{e}. minde of the Town if they will make any further grant towards the Support of the War —

7 To know the minde of the Town if they will abate the

Rates of the following Persons in Constable Abijah Stedman's List of Rates Viz —

	£ S D
Sam^{el}. Harrington State tax	2— 0—0
Thos. Williams State & War d^{o}.	5— 2—0
Joseph Mastick State & War d^{o}.	5 : 2—0
Sol^{o}. Parminter State & War d^{o}.	5 : 2—0
John Paker State & War d^{o}.	5— 2—0
Capt. Joseph Jewet State & War d^{o}.	5 : 2 : 0

	£ S D
Sol^{o}. Parminter Town tax	1..11—4
James Peacock Town tax	1—11—4
Joseph Mastick Town tax	1..11 : 4
Jon^{a}. Bullard Town tax	1..17—8

8 To know the minde of the Town if they will abate the Rates of the following Persons in Constable Joseph Russell's list Viz

Capt: Edward Harrington a part of Taxes amounting to	£4.. 7..2
Capt. Ab^{r}. Peirce 3 Taxes amount	£1.. 3..5
Misir^{s} Lewis 3 d^{o}	5.. 2..0
Fenno 3 d^{o}	5.. 2..0
John Viles 3 Taxes	5 2 0
Joshua Jeneson 3 do	5 2 0

9 To know the minde of the Town if they will grant Abijah Stedman & Joseph Russell each the Sum of 20 Pounds for their extraordinary service in collecting The War Tax for 1778 &c Also to know if they will grant to s^{d}. Persons proportioned Sums as Sallery & for warning 3 Town Meetings as usually has been allowed to former Constables —

10 To know the minde of the Town if they will make their Committee of War (so Called) any Consideration for their past Services or act any other matter or thing Relative thereto

11 To know the minde of y^{e}. Town if they will make the Melicia Officers equal to a private for their past servises in the War & so for y^{e}. future so long as y^{e}. Town shall continue in their present meathod of procuring men —

12 To know the minde of the Town whether they will hear the Petition of M^{r} : Phinehas Upham & others relating to Seating y^{e}. Inhabitants in y^{e}. meeting House in s^{d}. Town

[177.] Brought over

JOSIAH SMITH ESQ^R *Chosen Moderator for s^d. Meeting*

1 Voted to grant the Rev^d. M^r: Sam^el. Woodward £66..13..4 for his present years Salery

2 Voted to finish the Grant to the Rev^d. M^r. Woodward before we pass to his firewood

3 Voted to grant the Rev^d. M^r: Sam^el. Woodward £966.. 13..4 for Six Months as an adition to his Salery begining 25th. Sep^t. 1779 —

4 Voted to Chuse a Committee to Settle with the Rev^d. M^r. Sam^el. Woodward with regard to his firewood —

M^R. JOSEPH ROBERDS
CAP^T. JOHN FLAGG } Committee
COL^N. BRADDYLL SMITH

5 Voted to accept the Town Creditors account as now read off Viz

	£	S	D
May 1779 to Isaac Hobbs to taking Invoice & making the State Rate 7 1/2 Days a 60/	22	10	—
to making the war rate 6 Days a 6/0 [60]	18	—	—
to taking Invoice & making out a Valuation & making the Contanantal and County Rate 12 Days at 54/ p^r. Day	32	8	—
to Cash paid for Paper	3	10	—
	76	8	
1779 To Nathan Hobbs to taking Invoice & making Rates from May to July 12 1/2 Days a 60/	37	10	—
To making Contanantal & County Rate taking Invoice &c 9 1/2 Days a 54 —	24	6	—
	61	16	—
1779 To Josiah Stedman to taking Invoice & making Rates 11 1/2 Days	33	6	6
two Day Deducted		14	—
Due	32	12	6

6 Voted to grant 2000£ to Support Schooling and Defray the Usual Charges of the Town —

7 Voted that the School be cept in the Usual Manner as they have been for Several years Past —

8 Voted that they will allow as much more for Schooling to each division as the present Grant is more than last Year's

9 Voted to grant Three Thousand Pounds to Support the War

10 Voted to ajourn this meeting to this Day week at one oClock P. M.

Agreable to the above ajournment the Inhabitants meet and passed the following Votes Viz —

1 Voted to pass over the Seventh & Eighth Article in the Warrant for the Present

2 Voted to pass over the Ninth article for the present

3 Voted to allow the Committee of War fifty Pounds each for their Past Servises —

4 Voted to allow the Commission Offices (for the Parsent) for their Past Servises

5 Voted to allow Lieu^{t}. Daniel Livermore equal to the Privates in the last Campain that he was out —

6 Voted in the Negative in Allowing the Commission Officers any further than at the Present —

[178.] Brought up

7 Voted to ajourn this meeting for one hour —

Agreable to the ajournment the Inhabitants meet & Voted to ajourn this Meeting to the first Munday of Jan^{a}. at 2 oClock P. M.

Agreable to the ajournment the Inhabitants meet & Voted to ajourn this Meeting to the first Munday of March Next at 5 oClock P. M.

Agreable to the last ajournment the Inhabitants meet And Voted to ajourn this meeting to the next Munday at 3 oClock P. M.

Agreable to the last ajournment the Inhabitants meet & Passed the following Votes Viz

1 Voted to abate the Rates of the following Persons in Abijah Stedman's list as mentioned in the Warrant Viz

State & War tax.		Town Tax.	
Sam^{el}. Harrington . .	£2..0..0	Sol^{o}. Parminter. . .	£1..11..4
Sol^{o}. Parminter . . .	5 2 0	James Peacock . .	1..11..4
John Paker	5 2 0	Jon^{a}. Bullard . . .	1..17..8
Capt. Joseph Jewet .	5 2 0		

2 Voted to abate the Rates of the following Person in Joseph Russell's list —

Capt. Edw. Harrington	£4..7..2
Fenno	5—2—0
Joshua Jeneson	5—2—0

3 Voted to Allow to Constable Abih. Stedman & Joseph Russell each 20 Pound for Collecting the war Tax & £4..10 each for Salery

Also 9£ each for warning 3 Meeting each —

4 Voted to Chuse a Committee to examin the War Treasurer's Account

Meser.

Thos. Rand
Major Lamson } Committee for the above purpose
Thad. Spring

1780

[Note. *For March Meeting*, 1780, *see page* 275.]

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston that are by Law Qualified to Vote for a Representative did on Munday the fifteenth Day of May AD 1780 Elect and depute Mr: Joseph Roberts (being a Freeholder in sd. Town) to serve for & Represent them in a Great and General Court or Assembly appointed to be Convend held and kept for the Goverment Service at the State House in Boston in the County of Suffolk upon Wednesday the Thirty first Day of May Instant

[179.] At a Meeting of the mail Inhabitants of Weston that are free & Twenty one Years of age in Publick Town Meeting assembled at the Publick Meeting in sd. Town on Munday the 15th. of May AD 1780 at two oClock p. m. they then and there —

1 To here and act upon a Constatution or Form of Goverment agreed upon by the Delegates of the People of the State of Massachusetts Bay

And you are also required to notify & warn all the Freeholders & other Inhabitants that are by Law qualified to Vote in

Town affairs to Assemble at the time and Place above s^{d}. then & there

2 To make a further grant to the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Sam^{el}. Woodward for his Salery for Six Months begining the 25th. of March AD 1780 —

3 To grant money to defray the Town Charges —

4 To hear the Town Creditors accounts and act thereon —

5 To hear the War Treasurers account, & act thereon or act any other matter or thing relating to the war affair —

6 To know the mind of the Town whether they will join with Watertown and Waltham in Widning the great Bridge in Watertown —

7 To hear the Accounts of the Delegates Chosen by this Town to Join in Convention for forming a new Constatution or Frame of Goverment & act thereon

8 To hear the report of the Committee Chosen to assurtain the Bounds of the meeting house lot & the Road ajoining thereto & act thereon

LIEU^{T}. ABR^{M}. JONES *Chosen Moderator*

1 Voted to ajourn this meeting to the 29th. Instant at 12 oClock P. M.

Greable to the above ajournment the Inhabitants meet and passed the following Votes Viz

1 Voted not to Chuse a Committee to act upon the Constatution

2 Voted by s^{d}. Town that they will accept the Constatution or Form of Goverment as it now stand but it is our oppinion that it should be revised within Ten Years and made Certain Yeas 54 Nay 20

3 Voted to ajourn this meeting for 15 Minutes

Agreable to the ajournment The Inhabitants meet and

1 Voted to grant to the Rev^{d}. M^{r} : Sam^{el}. Woodward 4000 Pound for his Salery for Six months —

2 Voted to grant 4000 Pounds to defray the Town Charges the remainder this present Year

3 Voted to ajourn this meeting to the 5th. of June at one oClock PM

Agreable to the ajournment Inhabitants meet — and —

[180.] 1 Voted not to act upon the 6 article as mentioned in the Warrent

2 Voted to allow Mr: Joseph Roberts & Lieut: Abr. Jones their account as Assessors in 1778

3 To Mr: Joseph Roberts for 32 Day Service in taking and prepairing the Valuation list and for making Sundery Rates and for Paper for to make the same on — Total — £2 . . 13 . . 0

4 To Lieut: Abr. Jones for 10 Days Service in making Sundery Rale [Rate] . . . . . £60—0—0

5 Voted to allow Messer. Joseph Roberts & John Allen

Mr: Roberts 13 Day Mr. Allen 32 Day 12 Pound pr. Day they baring their own expences for Services as Delegates in Forming a New Constatution or Fraim of Goverment

6 Voted to accept of the Report of the Committee reletive to the Town land and the Rodes ajourning there to

7 Voted to Chuse a Committee to Serch for Mr: Goddards Deed of Gift to the Town of Weston of a Piece of land near the meeting House and to report to the Town the next anual Fall Meeting

Chosen { Capt. John Flagg
Capt. Israiel Whittemore
Mr: Thads Spring } Committe

8 Voted that the Delegates shall act discresionary when the Form of Goverment shall take place —

[181.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston that are Qualified to Vote in Town Affairs being Legally Warned in Publick Town Meeting Assembled on Tuesday the 13th. of June AD 1780 at Four oClock p: m then & there to know the mind of the Town what further grant they will make to Support the War or act any other matter or thing relative to the War Affair —

1 Chose Liut: Abrm. Jones *Moderator for sd meeting*

2 Voted that the War Committee shall not have liberty to go out of this Town to hire money for the Use of the Town —

3 Voted that the Selectmen shall not have liberty to go out of Town to hire money for the Use of the Town —

4 Voted to grant 5000 Pound to Support the War

5 Voted to ajourn this meeting to next Munday 19th Instant at 4 o'clock PM

Agreable to the above ajournment the Inhabitants meet and

1 Voted to make a further Grant of £10000 towards the Support of the War

2 Voted to dismiss Mr: Elisha Warren from the War Committee

& 3 Voted to Chuse Capt: Nathan Smith in his room —

4 Voted that Capt: Hobbs shall be Indemnefied from paying a fine for not returning as ordered —

5 Voted to ajourn this meeting to the 3d. of July Next at 4 oClock P M

Agreable to the above ajournment the Inhabitants meet and

1 Voted to ajourn this meeting to the 10th. Instant July a 4 oClock PM

Agreable to the last ajournment the Inhabitants meet — and

1 Voted to Petition to the Hon°: Counsell for Liberty to hire men out of those Towns that have hired their Quota of Men —

2 Voted to Chuse a Committee of 2 Persons for the above Purpose

3 Voted that Messers { JOSEPH ROBERTS & SAMEL. FISK } be a Committee to Petition the Hon°. Counsell (in behalf of the Town) for liberty to hire men out of those Towns that have got their Quota

4 Voted to make an adition of two Person to the War Committee

Mesers: ISRAIEL WHITTEMORE & INCREAS LEADBETTER } Chosen for sd. Purpose

5 Voted to ajourn this meeting to the 17th. Instant July at 4 oClock P. M.

Agreable to the last ajournment the Inhabitants meet and

1 Voted to grant 30000 Pound in adition to what has been granted for the War

2 Voted to ajourn this meeting to the 24th. Instant July at 5 oClock P. M.

Agreable to the last ajournment the Inhabitants meet and Voted to ajourn this meeting to the 2d. of August next at 5 oClock P M.

Agreable to the last ajournment the Inhabitants meet and Dissolved the meeting

[182.] At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duly Qualified and Legally Warned in Publick Town Meeting assembled at the Publick meeting House in sd. Town on Munday the 4th. Sept : AD 1780 at two oClock in the afternoon then and there

1 To Chuse a Governor

2 To Chuse a Liut : Governor

3 To Chuse Counsellors & Senators for this District that was agreed upon by the Convention of this State or act any other matter or thing that may be required by the articles of the Convention —

1 Voted for a Governor

The Hono : JOHN HANDKOCK Esqr.	had 38	Votes
The Hono : JAMES BORDWAIN Esqr.	had 9	

2 Voted for a Liut : Gov–nr :

The Hono : HENR : GARDNER Esqr.	had 30	Votes
The Hono : JAMES BORDWAIN Esqr.	had 22	

For Counsellors & Senetors	NATHEL : GORHAM Esqr.	had 32	Votes
	The Hono : JOSIAH STONE Esqr.	had 33	
	JONAS DIX Esqr.	had 23	
	JOHN TING Esqr.	had 29	
	The Hono : ELER : BROOKS Esqr.	had 20	
	LOAMIA BALDWIN Esqr.	had 14	
	The Hono: ABRM. FULLER Esqr.	had 12	
	JAMES PRESLCOT Esqr.	had 4	
	JOSIAH JOHNSON Esqr.	had 1	
	Mr. JOHN ALLEN		

At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston that are Qualified (by the New Constatution of Goverment) to Vote for a Representative being Leally Warned in Publick Town Meeting Assembled at the Publick Meeting House in S^{d}. Town on Thirsday the 12th. Day of Oct^{o}: AD 1780 at Two oClock in the afternoon they then and there did Elect and Depute JOSIAH SMITH ESQ^{R}. to Serve for and represent them in the Great and General Court —

[183.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Weston that are by Law Qualified to Vote in Town affairs being Legally warned in Publick Town Meeting Assembled on Munday the 9th of Oct^{o}: AD 1780 at two oClock in the afternoon —

1 To Grant Money to Pay the Rev^{d} M^{r}: Sam^{el}. Woodward' Salery for one Year beginning 25 of Sep^{t}: AD 1780 and also to make Provision for his firewood for said Year —

2 To know the minde of the Town what further grant they will make to the Rev^{d}: M^{r}: Sam^{el}. Woodward in adition to his Salery for the Present Year

3 To know the minde of the Town what method they will take to Procure 7.930 lb. of beef which is required for Weston by the General Court to Procure

4 To hear the Town Creditors accounts and act thereon —

5 To Grant money to Support Schooling & defray y^{e}. Usual Charges of the Town

6 To know the minde of the Town if they will make any further Provision for Schooling than the Grammer School and if so how much and what method the Year Ensewing —

7 To know the minde of the Town if they will Seat the Inhabitants in the Publick meeting house in S^{d}. Town —

LIU^{T}. ABR^{M}. JONES *Chosen Moderator for S^{d}. Meeting*

1 Voted that the Rev^{d}. M^{r}: Sam^{el}. Woodward's Salery and his addition be for half a Year

2 Voted to grant the Rev^{d}. M^{r}: Sam^{el}. Woodward £33..6*s*..8*d* for Salery for Six months and £3366..13*s*..4*d* in Adition to his Salery for 6 Months

3 Voted to Chuse a Committee to provide the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Sam^{el}. Woodwards Fire wood for the present Year —

Chosen { M^{R}: JONAS HARRINGTON & he declined
CAP^{T}. ISAAC JONES
M^{R}: ISAAC HOBBS } for s^{d}. Committee
MAJO^{R}. SAM^{EL}. LAMSON

4 Voted to grant 15000 Pounds to Purchase Beef for the Use of the Army

5 Voted to Chuse a Committee of 3 Persons for the above purpose

Chosen { CAP^{T}. ISAAC JONES
M^{R}. ISAAC HOBBS
CAP^{T}. JON^{A}. FISK

6 Voted to Except the Town Creditors account as now read off Viz

To M^{r}: Isaac Hobbs in making Rates in Feb^{r}. 22^{d}. 1780 a 12	£168.. 0.. 0
To Paper Expended in making Rates &c	9— 0— 0
	£177.. 0.. 0

Carried up
[184.] Brought up

Dr To M^{r}. John Allen for 7 Day Attendance at the Convention in June Last	£98.. 0.. 0
Dr To M^{r}: Jonas Peirce to Carrying W^{m}. Haven from Weston to Waltham	9— 0— 0
To Collecting the War Tax which was £23556 a 3^{d}. p^{r}. Pound	293—16— 6
	£302..16— 6
Dr To Benj^{a}. Dudley to Collecting the War Tax which was £21423 a 3^{d}. p^{r}. Pound which is	263.. 9— 3
Dr. To M^{r}: Nathan Hobbs to the first of Sep^{t}. to twenty Nine Day in making Rates & Taking & returning y^{e}. General Invoice at 15 Pounds p^{r}. Day	£435— 0— 0
to one quire of Paper	6— 0— 0
to making Rates in the year 1779 + 12 Days at £12. p^{r}. Day	144— 0— 0
	585— 0— 0
Dr. To Elisha Harrington to the first of Sep^{t}: to Twenty three & 1/2 Days in making Rates & Taking & returning the general invoice a 15 Pounds p^{r}. Day . .	£352..10— 0
to one quire & a half of paper for the Towns Use .	13..10— 0
	£366— 0— 0

Dr. To Abijah Stedman to the first of Sep^{t} to 19 1/2 Days in making Rates and taking a general invoice at 15 Pound p^{r}. Day . . . . . £292..10— 0

7 Voted that Schooling shall go on as Usual for the present year —

8 Voted to grant for Schooling & defray other necessary Charges of the Town . . . . £25000—0..0

9 Voted not to Seat the meeting house —

At a meeting of Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Weston that are by Law Qualified to Vote in Town affairs being Legally Warned in Publick Town meeting assembled on Wednesday the 27th. Day of Dec^{m}. AD 1780 at one oClock in the afternoon then and there

1 To know the minde of the Town what method they will take to procure 15227 lb of Beef that is required of Weston to procure by orders of the General Court —

2 To know the minde of the Town what method they will take to Raise 13 men for the Contenantal Armey —

3 To hear the War Committee's account or act any other matter or thing relating to s^{d}. Committee —

4 To know the mind of the Town if they will give their present Representative any Instructions

5 To know the minde of the Town whether they will Build a New School house in the Center of the Town or act any matter or thing relative there to —

Carried over

[185.] 6 To know the minde of the Town if they will hear the Report of the Committee Chosen to Serch for M^{r}. Goddards Deed of Gift or to act any matter or thing reative to the Town and meeting house Lots —

7 To know the minde of the Town if they will accept of an alteration of a Town way Leading from Jon^{a}. Warrens to Nathaniel Bemise's as marked out by the Selectmen

8 To here the Request of Capt. Estus Howe Relative to abatement of Sundery Rates in his List — Viz

John Lawrance for the Contenentas in 1779	. . . .	£2.. 0..0
Thadd. Gaffield two — D^{o} — in D^{o}	. . . .	12.. 4..2
County D^{o}	. . . .	5 4

Samu^{r}. Willington State War Town & Minister Tax D^{o} .	16	5	6
For Warning 3 Town meetings for the whole Town . .	45	—	—
Also for Salery	37	10	—

9 To know the minde of the Town if they will abate the Rates of the following Persons in the late Constable Joseph Russell's list of Rates — Viz

John Viles two State & 1 War Tax amounting to . .	£5	2	0
Lewis two State & one War	5	2	0
Jon^{a}. Underwood ju^{r}. two State & one War	5	2	0
James Walls two State 2 County 1 Town & 1 Minister Tax .	3	11	4

10 To know the minde of the Town if they will allow to Capt. John Whitehead what he has paid for his Pole when absent & in the Publick Service or act any matter or thing relating there to

11 To know the minde of the Town whether their anual March meeting shall be warned by Notifications or act any thing relatice thereto

The Town then brought in their Votes for a Moderator and Liu^{T} : Abr^{M}. Jones was declared Chosen —

1 Voted to grant money to Purchace Beef that we are now called upon to raise —

2 Voted to grant twenty Thousand Pounds for the above purpose

3 Voted to Chuse a Committee to procure the Beef

Chosen { Cap^{T} : Isaac Jones, Dec^{N}. Isaac Hobbs, Cap^{T}. Jon^{A}. Fisk } for s^{d}. Committee

[186.] 4 Voted that sad Committee be fully impowered to draw money Sufficient out of the Treasury to procure the Beef that we are now Called upon for & to give their Rect^{s}. & be accountable to the Town therefor when called upon

5 [Article 2] Voted to go on in the usual way to procure those men that we are Now called upon for — and to grant money for s^{d}. Purpose —

Voted that the Commanding Officer of the Melicia be desired to Call the Company together —

Voted to reconsider the last Vote

Voted to ajourn this meeting to the 8th. Day of Jân^a. 1781 at one oclock in the after noon

1781

Agreable to the above ajournment the Inhabitants meet and Proceeded to the 7th. article

Voted to axcept of an Alteration of the Town way leading from Jon^a. Warrens to Nathaniel Bemises as marked out by the Selectmen Exclusive of any Expence to the Town and that said Warren shall have the old way upon his making the New way Passable —

Voted to abate the rates of Jon^a. Lawrance in Capt Howes list [Article 8] being — . . . . . £2 . . 0 . . 0

Voted to abate the rates of Thadd^s. Garfield in Capt. Howes list being — . . . . . £12 . . 4 . . 2

Voted to abate the rates of Sam^el. Willington in Capt. Howes list being — . . . . . £16 . . 5 . . 6

Voted to allow Capt. Howe for warning three Town meeting for the whole Town — . . . . . £45—0—0

Also to allow s^d. Howe for Salery — . . 37—0—0

on the 2^d article

Voted to grant fifty Thousand Pounds for the Purpose of Raising Men

on the 3^d article

Voted to allow the Committees account as Exhibited

	No of Days	Price pr. Day	£	S	D
Isaac Hobbs	24	£15	360		
Sam^el. Lamson	12	15	180		
Sam^el. Fisk	12	15	180		
Jonas Sanderson	6	15	90		
Israiel Whittemore	10	15	150		
Nathan Smith	6	15	90		
Increas Ledbetter	6	15	90		

[187.] upon the 4th article

Voted not to act upon said article

Voted to ajourn this meeting to the 22^d : Day of Jan^a. 1781 at 1 oClock PM

Agreable to the last ajournment the Inhabitants meet and passed the following Votes

It was put to Vote to know the minde of the Town whether they will act upon the 5th, Article and it passed in the Negative

Voted to Chuse a Committee to Treat with Josiah Smith Esqr. and his Son Joel [Article 6.]

Voted to Chuse 5 in said Committee Liut: Jona. Stratton Capt. John Flagg Mr. John Allen Capt: Isaac Jones & Mr. Thad Spring —

Voted said Committee be impowered to Treat with Josiah Smith Esqr. and his Son Joel in Setling the Bounderies of the Towns land near the meeting house and make a Report at our Next anual March meeting for the Towns acceptance —

Voted on the 9th. article to abate the Rates of the following Persons in Constable Russells List — Viz

John Viles	£5	2	0
Lewis	5	2	0
Jona. Underwood	5	2	0
James Walls	3	11	4

10 Article Passed in the Negative

11 Article Passed in the Negative

Voted to Dissolve this meeting

[188.] At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston duly Quallified and Legaly warned in Publick Town-meeting Assembled on monday the fifth Day of March 1781 at 10 oClock A M: at the Publick Meeting House in Said Town then and there —

1 To Choose Selectmen & other Town Officers for the Ensewing year as the Law Directs —

2d To hear the Town Treasurers Accounts and act thereon

3d To know the minds of the Town whether their Swine shall go at large the Present year —

4th: To know the minds of the Town whether they will repair thier Highway by a Rate the Ensewing Year & grant Money therefor

5th: To hear and act upon a list Prpared for the Jury Box —

6th. To know the minds of the Town if they will build one or more School-Houses in the Center District —

7th. To hear the war Treasurers Account and act thereon or act any matter or thing relative to the war Committee or the war Affairs —

8th: To here the report of the Committee Chosen to Treat with Josiah Smith Esqr. and his Son Joel relative to the Town's Land near the Meeting-House or act any Other Matter or thing relative to the Sd. Land —

9th. To Know the Minds of The Town whether they will Seat the Inhabitants in the Meeting-House and act thereunto —

10th. To hear the Town Creditors Accounts and act thereon

11th. To know the mind of the Town what they will allow to the present Constables (Messrs: Jonas Pierce and Benja. Dudley) for Collecting the two Beef Taxes and the last war Tax

12th. To hear the request of the Revd. Mr. Woodward relative to his Title to his Pew or act any Thing relative thereto —

13th. To hear the Petition of John Allen & others relative to thier remonstrating against Some Perticular Proceedings of the General Court and whether the Town will Instruct their representative in regard to any greviances Said Allen & other Apprehends that they and the Publick Labour under or act any thing relative thereunto —

[189.] The Town Proceeded to bring in thier Votes for a Moderator: and Deacon Samuel Fisk was Chosen

Then the Following Persons were Chosen Town officers for the Year Ensewing —

Selectmen	Samuel Fisk Isaac Hobbs Samuel Lamson Thads: Spring Uriah Gregory	and Committee of Correspondance
Town Clerk	Isaac Hobbs	Sworn March 12th.
Town Treasurer	Samuel Fisk	Sworn March 12th.
Constables	Josiah Seaverns Josiah Biglow	Sworn march—12th Sworn march—12th.

Assessors	JOSEPH RUSSELL ABIJAH STEADMAN URIAH GREGORY	Sworn March 12th.
Surveyors and Collectors &c	CAPT. ISAAC JONES JOSEPH SEAVERNS SIMEON SMITH JOSEPH RUSSELL SAMLL. TRAIN	 Sworn March—12th Sworn March—12th.
[190.] Tythingmen	JOSEPH RUSSELL ISAAC FLAGG	
Hogreaves	CAPT. MATTHEW HOBBS SIMEON SMITH	Sworn March 12th.
Preserver of Deer	MICAH WARREN JONA. WARREN	Sworn March—12th
Field Drivers	ISAAC FLAGG PHINEHAS UPHAM	Sworn March 12th
Fence Viewers	PHINEHAS UPHAM JAMES HASTINGS	Sworn March 12th
Sealers of Leather	JONAS SANDERSON THOS: RUSSELL JUR	Sworn March 12th
Surveyors of Boards & Shingles &c	DANIEL STRATTON THOS: RAND	Sworn March—12th.

Voted to return the Revd Mr. Woodward Thanks for Relinquishing fifteen Coard of his Firewood —

The Town Treasurers Account was then Read and Accepted

The Account of Samuel Fisk Treasurer for Weston from March 3d. AD. 1780 to March 2d: 1781

	£	S	D
Recd. of Constable Abijah Steadman in full . .	39	7	3¼
Recd of Const. Joseph Russell in full	37	10	4¾
Recd of Const. Estes How in full	2137	8	6
Recd of Const. Jonas Peirce in part	15161	0	0
Recd of Const. Benja. Dudley in part	21439	10	9
Recd for the rent of the Pew & Stable formerly Colo Joness	89	10	0
Recd for the rent of the work House	135	0	0
Borrowed and Recd. three Hundred Pounds . .	300	0	0
	£39339	7	6

	£	S	D
[191.] Paid the following Persons by Order of the Selectmen Viz			
paid the Ballence Due to me the last Adjournment .	788	13	6¾
paid the Rev^{d}: Mr Sam^{ll} Woodward in full for his Sallery for one year ending Sepr. 25th. 1780 . .	4700	0	0
Paid the Revd Mr Sam^{ll}. Woodward in part for ye present year	837	0	0
paid Jno: Gardner Agent for the first requisition of Beef	9516	0	0
Paid the Hiers of Col^{o}. Smith a Note of £18: given in 1776: and the Interest and Depretiation amounting to	914	0	0
Paid the Hiers of Col^{o}. Smith two Orders and Depretition	130	0	0
Paid Isaac Flagg in full for a Horse for the Publick Service	1200	0	0
Paid Capt: Jno. Flagg for a Horse for Ditto . . .	1210	16	0
Paid Jno: Allen in full for attending at the Convention	482	0	0
Paid Dea^{n}. Isaac Hobbs for his Service in Making Rates in 1779	253	8	0
Paid the Revd Mr Woodward in full for four Coard of wood	80	0	0
Paid Nath^{ll}. Allen in full for keeping School 8 weeks in the NE: School-House in 1780	119	0	0
Paid Capt. Jno. Flagg to Procure the Advice of an Attorney Concerning the Pews	138	0	0
Paid for repairing the Great Bridge at Water Town .	2467	4	10
Paid the County rate to Eben^{r} Bridge Esqr. County Treasurer	798	10	9½
Paid Joseph Russell by Abatements of Rates & by Assignment	48	14	6
Paid Jonas Peirce in full for Boarding Master Flint 8 weeks	276	0	0
Paid Nathan Jennison for a Horse for the Publick Service	750	0	0
Paid Thad^{s} Spring for Preambelating and repairing the South-East: School House and for repairing the New Bridge So Called and for his Time & Expence in Procuring a Horse for the Army . .	152	2	0
Paid Joseph Seaverns for Plank for Watertown Bridge &c	713	14	0
Paid Oliver Hastings for Boarding Master Mudge 9 weeks in 1780	297	0	0
Paid L^{t}. Abr^{m}. Jones for Boarding Master Mudge 3 week & 2 days in 1779	29	0	0
Paid L^{t}. Abr^{m}. Jones for Preabelating and for Timber and Labour at the New Bridge	178	0	0

Paid Master Joseph Mudge for Keeping School four Months in 1779 and 1780 and for two months in 1780 & 1781	580	0	0
Paid Capt. Jno: Flagg for Ten Coard of wood for the Revd Mr Samll Woodward	600	0	0
Paid John Flagg jur: in full for Bording Lois Pierce Seven weeks from the first of Augt. 1780 . .	84	0	0
Carried up	27343	3	2¼
[192.] The foot of the Account brought up .	£27343	3	2¼
Paid Master Flint for keeping ye gramer School four months in 1779 and in 1780	185	0	0
Paid Masher Flint for keeping the Gramer School in the Year 1780 and in the Year 1781 . . .	1080	0	0
Paid Master Abrm. Biglow for Keeping a Reading and writing School Nine weeks and Boarding himself in 1779	159	0	0
Paid Mrs. Anna Biglow for 17 feet of wood for the School	42	10	0
Paid Lt: Jona. Stratton for one Coard of wood for the Revd. Mr Woodward	20	0	0
Paid Deacon Isaac Hobbs for 2 Coard of wood for NE School	40	0	0
Paid Doctr Josiah Starr for Boarding Master Flint Eight weeks in 1779 and in 1780	120	0	0
Paid Doctr Josiah Starr for two Coard of wood for SE. School	40	0	0
Paid Nathll. Allen for Keeping a Reading and Writing School Seven weeks from ye 13th. of Decer. 1779 and Boarding himself	119	0	0
Paid Oliver Hastings for Boarding Master Mudge Seven weeks in the year 1779	13	0	0
Paid Nathan Hobbs for Preambelating and for Procuring a Horse for the Army	90	0	0
Paid Lt. John Warren for Boarding Master Flint Nine Weeks	324	0	0
Paid Nathll Allen for keeping School in the Center School-House 1 1/2 months and boarding himself in 1780 & 1781	538	10	0
Paid Josiah Steadman by an Assignment . . .	32	12	6
Paid James Stimson for 13 feet of wood for SE: School in 1779 and 1780	32	10	0
Paid Lt. Jona Stratton in full for 189 feet of Plank for the Town Bridge	113	8	0
Paid Lt. Nathan Hobbs by an Assignment . . .	646	16	0
Paid Abijah Steadman by an Assignment and Abatement of Rates	49	10	4

Paid Capt. Isreal Whittemore for Boarding Capt. John Brown and Lois Peirce and Cloathing . . .	1457	14	0
Paid Capt Isreal Whittemore for 2 Days Work at the New Bridge and to 1 1/2 Days Work at the School House and for Boarding Lois Peirce 34 Weeks from the 5th. of July 1779	226	16	0
Paid James Smith for 2 Coard of Standing for NW School	48	0	0
Paid Majr. Samll. Lamson for two Coard of wood Delivered To the Revd Mr Samll Woodward . . .	120	0	0
Paid Amos Jones for two Coard of wood for the Center School	240	0	0
Carried over	£33081	9	8¼
[193.] The foot of the Account brought over . .	£33081	9	8¼
Paid James Smith for 1 1/2 Coard of wood for NW: School	90	0	0
Paid mr. Elisha Harrington by an Assignment . .	366	0	0
Paid Jonas Peirce by Ditto	302	16	6
Paid Benja. Dudley by Ditto	263	16	3
Paid Abijah Steadman for Making Rates to 1 Sepr 1780	292	10	0
Paid Lt. Abrm. Jones for Procuring a Horse for the Army	30	0	0
Paid Capt. How by an Abatement of Rates & an Assignment	113	6	1
Paid Lt Abrm Jones by an Assignment . . .	60	0	0
Paid the Expence of the Selectmen going to Waltham	12	0	0
Paid the Wido. Wellington in full for Boarding Meriam Partridge and her Son William Ending March 3d. 1781	2420	17	0
Paid for Cloathing for Meriam Partridge & her Son the Year Past	254	4	0
Paid my Self for Preambelating the line between Sudbury and Weston and for Time and Expences in Carring the Beef money to Boston . . .	55	0	0
for repairing Several School Houses	340	0	0
Paid my Self for Time and Expenc in Procuring Horses for ye Army	43	10	0
Paid Ezra Fisk for Taking care of the Meeting-House two Years Ending march 5th. 1781	36	0	0
	£37761	10	4½

We the Subscribers appointed by the Selectmen of Weston to Examin the Town Treasurers Accounts have Attended that Service and find them well vouched and Right Cast — and there

Remains in Said Treasurers Hands	1577	17	1½
Remains in Constable Jonas Peirces hands	22426	4	2
Remains in Constable Benj^a Dudleys hands	12973	5	1
	£36977	6	4½

Abr^m. Jones
Nathan Hobbs
Joel Smith

[194.] The Town then Voted to proceed to 7th Article in ye Warrent

The War Treasurers Account was then Read and Accepted

The Account of Isaac Hobbs Treasurer from 22^d May 1779 to 2^d March 1781 is as followeth —

Viz Paid the folowing Persons for Nine Months in the Continantal Army

	£	S	D
Paid Thad^s. Bemis in full	462	0	0
Jacob Bemis in full	462	0	0
Simeon Pike in full	392	12	0
Ep^m. Capron in full	392	0	0
Abel Peirce in part	249	3	0
John Roberts in Part	258	12	0
	2216	7	0

For four months att Rhod Island

Paid Isaac Walker in part	130	19	6
John Bemis in full	159	0	0
Paid John Bemis in full for all Past Services . .	71	19	1

For 2 Months Rhod Island

Paid Joseph Stone in full	60	0	0
Jonas Pierce in full	48	0	0
Nath^ll. Billings in full	39	0	0
W^m. Gill in full	39	0	0
John Johnson in full	30	0	0

For Six weeks Castle

Paid Edwd. Flint in full	25	10	0
Joel Flint in full	25	10	0
	£2845	5	7

For three months Hudson's River

Paid Benaneul Pratt in full	246	0	0
Daniel Bemis in full	246	0	0
Phinehas Stimson do	246	0	0
Benj^{a}. Doalbeer in full	246	0	0
Jonas Park in full	130	0	0
Nehemiah Farrer in full	120	2	0
W^{m}. Cary in full	250	0	0
	£4329	7	7

	£	S	D
The foot of Acct br^{t}. up	4329	7	7
Paid m^{r} John Hager in full for his Son at N River	16	16	0
Paid Abner Mathies in full	0	10	6
Pd: M^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Livermore in ful for his Son guarding the Beacon	4	12	0
Thos. Graves in full Ditto	4	12	0
Paid Jon^{a} Fisk Interest on a Note	7	10	0
do Joseph Coburn in full of a Note of Hand	34	16	0
do John Richardson in full of a Note of Hand	108	18	0
do Isreal Whittemore in full of Two Notes of hand	147	16	0
do Thos Rand in full of Ditto	30	4	0
do Sam^{ll}. Fisk in full of Two Notes of hand	81	16	0
do Jacob Bemis in full of Two Notes of hand	151	17	6
Abr^{m}. Sanderson in full of a Note of hand	91	0	0
	£5009	15	7

Paid the following Persons for thier Service as members of the Committee of war — Viz

Paid Mr Elisha Warren	50	0	0
do Maj^{r} Sam^{ll} Lamson	50	0	0
do Mr Sam^{ll}. Fisk	50	0	0
do Mr Jonas Sanderson	50	0	0
do my Self	50	0	0
Paid m^{r} Daniel Livermore what the Town granted him for his Servic at Rhod Island	39	0	0
Carried over	£5298	15	7

	£	S	D
[195.] The foot of the Account Brought over	5298	15	7
Paid by an Assignment in Cons. How s list of Rates	33	5	6
Paid John Roberts in full for Six months at Rhod Island	2	2	0

do Daniel Bemis in full for Six weeks at Rhoad Island	19	0	0
do Nathan Fisk in full for all Past Services	9	18	0
do Thos. Rand in for his Sons guarding ye Beacon	24	0	0
do Benjs. Peirce in full for his Sons service at Rhoad Island	33	1	8
Paid John Roberts in full	133	10	0
Paid by assignment in Joseph Russells. list of Rates	126	7	4
	£5680	0	0

For Six Months in the Continantal Service

Paid Moses Cummings in full	2430	0	0
John Newman in part	1010	16	0
Samll. Avery in full	960	0	0
David Parker in part	1350	0	0
Samll. Platt in full	2000	0	0
Samll. Dale in part	1100	0	0
Thos. Davis in full	2000	0	0
John Frasher in part	1100	0	0
Michal Lyons in part	1100	0	0
Wm. Neal in part	1100	0	0
Wm. Collingwood in part	1100	0	0
John Kennedey in full	2000	0	0
John Mlea	900	0	0
Richard Condon	900	0	0
Christopher Clark	900	0	0
Carried up	£25630	16	0

	£	S	D
Brought up	25630	16	0

For three months at Rhoad Island

Paid Joseph Stone in full	1350	0	0
Salem Middlesix in full	1320	0	0
Isachar Philemon	0675	0	0
Thads. Child in part	712	0	0
Epm. Capron in full	1500	0	0
Nathll. Ayers in full	1500	0	0
Seth Pratt in full	1500	0	0
Paul Pratt in full	0600	0	0
Wm Hobbs in full	1440	0	0
Nathan Fisk in full	1440	0	0
	£37667	16	0

Paid Artemas Cox in full	1260	0	0
Nath^{ll}. Bemis in part	270	0	0
Nathan Warren in part	1283	18	3
John Whittemore in part	756	0	0
Joseph Livermore in full	1440	0	0
Paid Milage for 2 Campaigns	708	12	0
do Jno. Pownal in full for all Past Services	70	0	0
do Isaac Walker do do	28	0	6
do Simeon Pike do do	60	0	0
Sam^{ll}. Bentley in full for Procuring men	180	0	0
W^{m}. Whitney Bording 3 Soldiers	81	12	0
Benj^{a}. Peirce in ful for Do	85	4	0
Paid my Self in full of Town Grant	360	0	0
do Jonas Sanderson for do	90	0	0
do Increase Leadbetter for do	90	0	0
Increase Leadbetter in full for Conducting 8 men to Springfield	321	6	0
Carried up	44691	12	9

[196.] The foot of the Account brought up	44691	12	1
Paid M^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Fisk in full of the Town Grant for his Service	180	0	0
Paid John Walker in part for three Years Service	120	0	0
Paid Morris Dingen in part for Ditto	531	10	0
Paid John Connelley in part for Ditto	2263	10	0
Paid Maj^{r} Sam^{ll}. Lamson in full of the Town Grant for his Service	180	0	0
Paid W^{m}. Collingwood in full	900	0	0
Paid Thad^{s}. Child in full	60	0	0
Paid Nath^{ll}. Ayers in full	900	0	0
Paid Nathan Warren in full	216	0	0
Paid Paul Pratt in full for Three months	900	0	0
Paid John Walker in Part for Three Years	66	0	0
Paid John Connelley in part for three years	150	0	0
Paid by an Assignment in Const^{l}. Sam^{ll}. Fisk list of Rates	434	9	4
Paid by an Assignment in Cons^{t}. Uriah Gregory list of Rates	487	9	1
Paid by an Assignment in Const^{l}. Abijah Steadmans List	155	3	1
Lent Mr Sam^{el}. Lauchlin by order of Committee	300	0	0
	£52535	4	3

The Account of Money Borrowed and Rece^{d} &c

	£	S	D
Rece^{d} of Constable Estes How in full	6000	0	0
Rece^{d} of Constable Joseph Russell in full . . .	164	6	3
Rece^{d} of Constable Abijah Steadman	272	6	4
Rec^{d} of Constable Uriah Gregory	17	10	0
Borrowed and Rece^{d} of Mr Benj^{a}. Pierce . . .	135	0	0
Borrowed and Rece^{d} of Mr Sam^{ll}. Fisk	81	0	0
Borrowed and Rece^{d} of Mr Abr^{m}. Sanderson . .	90	0	0
Borrowed and Rece^{d}. of Mr Phinehas Hager . .	15	0	0
Borrowed and Rece^{d} of Mr Uriah Gregory . . .	30	0	0
Borrowed and Rece^{d} of Mr Jacob Bemis . . .	150	0	0
Borrowed and Rece^{d} of Mr Isreal Whittemore . .	146	10	0
Borrowed and Rece^{d} of Mr Thos. Rand . . .	30	0	0
Borrowed and Rece^{d} of Mr Sam^{ll}. Harrington . .	180	0	0
Borrowed and Rece^{d} of M^{rs}. Anna Biglow . . .	50	0	0
Carried over	£7361	12	7
[197.] The foot of the Account brought Over . .	7361	12	7
Rece^{d} of Jeduthun Bemis by his Brother Daniel &c .	246	0	0
Rece^{d} of Capt. Brown by Benanel Pratt . . .	10	9	0
by Ballence Due to the Town the last Adjustment .	315	0	0
Borrowed and Rece^{d} of Mr Joseph Russell . . .	78	0	0
Rece^{d} by assignment in Cons^{t}. Sam^{ll} Fisk list . .	434	9	4
Rece^{d} by Assignment in Cons^{t}. Uriah Gregory list .	487	9	1
Rece^{d} by Assignment in Cons^{t}. Abijah Steadmans do	155	3	1
Rece^{d} by an Assignment in Cons^{t}. Joseph Russell List	126	7	4
Borrowed and Rece^{d} of John Parmenter . . .	800	0	0
Rece^{d}: of the Present Constable Jonas Peirce . .	21044	16	5
Rece^{d} of M^{r}. Benj^{a}. Dudley Present Constable . .	21414	13	7
	£52474	0	5

The Committee Appointed to Examine the foregoing Accounts have Diligently Attended that Service and find them well Vouched and right cast

	£	S	D
And there Remains Due to Said Treasurer . . .	61	4	4
and thre Remains in the Hands of M^{r}. Jonas Peirce Present Constable	28612	6	0
and There Remains in the hands of Mr Benj^{a}. Dudley Present Constable	23928	18	6

THO^{S}. RAND
SAM^{LL}. LAMSON } Committee
THAD^{s}. SPRING

[198.] 2d. Voted that Mr. Elisha Harrington Capt. Nathan Smith and Mr. Isaac Hobbs be a Commitee in behalf of the Town of Weston to Defend by Counsel or otherwise an Action Commenced or that may be Commenced against the Said Isaac Hobbs as Treasurer of this Town by Thos. Weelington on a Note of band Endorsed by one Moses Cummings and that they be Impowered to Act Any Thing relative to the above case as it respects the Said Weelington or Cummings and that they draw Money out of the War Treasurery for that Purpose and be Accountable to the Town therefor —

The Town then Adjourned to Monday ye 12th. of March Instant at one o,Clock P.M:

The Inhabitants being Assembled at the Publick Meeting-House on Monday the 12th. of March agreeable to the above Ajournment Proceeded to the Buissiness of ye Meeting

1st. Voted that thier Swine being well regulated Shall go at large the ensuing Year

2d. Voted to Repair thier High-ways: by a Rate —

3d. Voted to Grant Two Thousand Pounds old Curriancy for the above Purpose and that each man and Team be Allowed Twenty Shillings Pr. Hour —

4th. Voted to Accept of List Prepared for the Jury Boxes —

5th Voted to Build a School House in the Center District

6th. Voted to Accept of the Proposal of Josiah Smith Esqr. Relative to the Town,s: Land Near the Meeting House Adjoining to Said Smith Land

Viz That the Said Joseph Smith Esqr. give a Quit Claim Deed to the Bounds a former Committee made Capt. Estes How being Chairman of Said Committee

[199.] 7th. Voted to accept of the Proposals of Joel Smith relative to the Bounds of the Towns Land South of the Meeting-House; Viz Begining at a Stake and Stones by the Wall East of the Garden and runing Straight to the North East Corner of Said Joel Smith,s Dwelling-House and let that be the Bounds of the Towns Land —

8th. Voted to Seat the Inhabitants in the Meeting-House

9th. Voted that this meeting be Adjourned to Monday 26th Day of March Instant at one o,Clock PM: —

Assembled according to Adjournment —

10th. The Question being put to know the minds of the Town whether they will Choose a Committee to Seat the Meeting-House & it pased in the Negative —

11th. Voted that the Town Creditors Accounts be Allowed as Exhibited Viz:

	£	S	D
To mr. Nathan Hobbs for Making Six Taxes from Sepr 1780 To Febry: 1781 20 Days at 15£ Pr. Day	300	0	0
To Paper	5	8	0
	£305	8	
To mr. Elisha Harrington for making Six Taxes from Augt. 1780 to Febry. 1781 fifteen Days	225	0	0
To half a Quire of Paper	5	8	0
	£230	8	
To Mr. Abijah Steadman for making Six Taxes From Sepr. 1780 to Febry. 1781 Eighteen Days	270	0	0
To Mr. Jonas Peirce for warning 7 Town Meetings . .	52	10	0
for Salery £37:10/ for Carring one Catherine and her Child from Weston to Waltham £15	52	10	0
	£105	0	0
To mr. Benja. Dudley for warning Seven Town Meetings .	52	10	0
for Sallery as Constable	37	10	0
	£90	0	0

[200.] The Town then took under Consideration the Eleventh Article in the Warrent and the Question being put to know the minds of the Town whether they will Act upon Said Article —

11th. and it Passed in the Negative —

They then Proceeded to the Twelveth Article which was to hear the Revd. Mr. Woodwards request relative to the Title of his Pew —

12th. which in like manner Passed in the Negative —

The Town then took under Consideration the 13th. and last Article which was to hear the Petition of Mr John Allen & others — and after Some Debate upon the matter the Town —

13 Voted that the Petitioners have leave to withdraw thier Petition

The Town then Passed a Vote founded upon the 7th Article in the Warrent Viz —

14 Voted that the war Treasurer be and he is hereby Impowered to give Security in behalf of the Town to each man that Shall be Engaged for the Town of Weston for the Term of Three Years by the respective Classes for the Sum that shall be agreed upon to be Payed at a Future Day —

The Business of the meeting being Dispached the Town Voted that the Meeting be Disolved and Accordingly The Moderator Pronounced the Meeting Disolved

[201.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston duly Qualified and Lawfully Warned in Publick Town-meeting Assembled at the Public Meeting-House in Said Town on Monday the Second Day of April AD : 1781 at two o,Clock P : M : then & there —

1st. To bring in thier Votes for a Governor of this Commonwealth

2d To bring in thier Votes for a Lieut Governor —

3d To bring in thier Votes for five Senators and Counsellors Agreeable to the Constitution of the Comonwealth of Massechusetts

For Governor	His Execy: John Hancock	had 32	Votes
	James Bordwain Esqr.	had 28	
	Oliver Prescott Esqr.	had 1	
For Lieut. Governor	Thos. Cushing Esqr.	had 23	Votes
	Oliver Prescott Esqr.	16	
	Azor Orne Esqr.	14	
For Senators and Counsellors	Nathll. Gorham Esqr.	Had 74	Votes
	James Prescott Esqr.	31	
	Josiah Stone. Esqr.	35	
	Abrm. Fuller Esqr	30	
	Eleazer Brooks Esqr	30	
	Jonas Dix — Esqr	34	
	John Cummings Esqr.	44	
	Joseph Curtis	39	

[202.] For Senators And Counsellors	EBEN^{R} : BRIDGE ESQ^{R}	had 42	Votes
	M^{R} THO^{s}. PARKER	7	
	JOSEPH HOSMER ESQ^{R}	2	
	OLIVER PRESCOTT ESQ^{R}	1	

The Business of the Meeting being over it was acordingly Disolved —

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and Others ; Inhabitants of the Town of Weston duly Quallified and Lawfully Warned in Publick Town Meeting Assembled on Monday the Second Day of April AD : 1781 at the Publick Meeting-House in Said Town Then & There —

1st : To Know the Minds of the Town what Provision they will make for Building a School-House in the Center District or Act any Other Matter or Thing Relative there to —

2^{d} : To Grant the Reve^{d} : M^{r} : Sam^{ll}. Woodward his Sallery for Six Months begining 25th. of March — 1781 —

3^{d}. To make the Reve^{d} Mr Sam^{ll}. Woodward Such Further Grants as the Town Shall Think Proper —

1st. On the first Article in the warrent, after Some Debate upon the Matter, the Question being Put to know the minds of the Town whether they would Act upon Said Article — it Passed in the Negative —

2^{d}. Voted to grant the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Woodward Thirty three Pounds Six Shillings & Eight Pence for his Sallery for Six months Next Ensuing the 25th. of march 1781 in Silver Money at the Rate of Six Shilling and Eight Pence P^{r}. Ounce or the Exchange in Paper Currency at Seventy-five of the latter for one of the former —

[203.] 3^{d}. On the Third Article of the Meeting which was to know the Minds of the Town what further Grant they would make the Reve^{d} Mr Sam^{ll}. Woodward to his Usal Sallery The Question was Put To know the Minds of the Town whether they will make any Further grant to the Rev^{d}. Mr Sam^{ll}. Woodward and it Passed in the Negative —

Then the Moderator by Consent of the Inhabitants Disolved the Meeting —

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and Others Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duely Quallified and Lawfully Warned and Assembled at the Publick Meeting House in Said Town on Monday the 2d. Day of July AD: 1781 Then & There

1st: To know the minds of the Town what Meathod they will Take to Procure the Beef that is Levied upon this Town by the General Court and to grant money therefor or act any other matter or thing relative thereto —

2d. To know the minds of the Town whether they will grant a sum of money for the suport of the war or act any thing relative to the war Affair —

3d. To know the minds of the Town whether they will make the Revd: Mr: Woodward any Additionl grant to his Sallery for Six months from the 25th. of Sepr. 1780. to 25th. of March 1781 or act any other matter or thing relative thereto —

4 To know the minds of the Town whether they will Instruct their Treasurer.s Concerning receving and Paying the money that is already Assessed or act any thing that relates thereto

DEACON SAMUEL FISK *was Chosen Moderator*

1st. Voted to grant one Hundred and fifty Pounds in Bills of the New Emmission for the Purpose of Procuring the Beef required by the General Court for two Months —

[204.] 2d Voted to grant one Hundred and fifty Pounds in Silver money for the Support of the war —

3d. Voted to grant Two Hundred Pounds in Bills of the New Emmission for the Support of the war —

4th Voted that this meeting be adjourned to the first Day of August Next at 3-o,Clock in the after noon —

Wednesday 1st. august 1781 3 o,Clock in the afternoon meet according to adjournment —

Voted that this meeting be adjourned to the 20th. Day of this Instant Augt. at the Publick Meeting House in this Town —

Meet according to Adjournment

On the first Article of the Meeting —

5th. Voted that the first article in the meeting be reconsidered and made Void —

6th. Voted that the Constables be Directed that those Persons that have Paid thier Tax which they were Assessed in bills of of the New Emmission be Allowed in the hard money Tax to be made for Purchasing the Beef Levied upon this Town by the General Court at the rate of one Dollar in Silver for four in Bills of the new Emmission —

7th Voted that one Hundred and fifty Pounds in Silver money be granted to Purchase Beef for Six months required by the General Court —

8th Voted that the Paper money grant for the Support of the War be reconsidered and made void —

9th Voted to grant two Hundred Pounds in Specie for the Support of the war —

10th. Voted that those Persons that have Paid their Tax Levied in the New Emmission for the Support of the war be allowed at the rate of one Dollar in Specie for four So Paid in Bills of the new Emmission —

11th the third and fourth Articles of the meeting were Passed over and the meeting was then Desolved —

[205.] Att a meeting of the freeholders and Others Inhabitants Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duely Quallified and Lawfully warned and Assembled att the Publick Meeting-House in Said Town on Tuesday the 25th. Day Sepr. 1781 at 2 o,Clock P. M. Then & There —

1st. To know the Minds of Town whether they will make the Revd Mr. Woodward any Additional grant to his Sallery for the Year Past or act any Other Matter or thing relative thereto —

2d To grant the Revd. Mr. Woodward his Sallery for the year Ensewing —

3d To know the minds of the Town whether they will make the Revd Mr Woodward any Additional grant to his Sallery for the Year Ensewing —

4th To make Provision for the Revd. mr Woodwards Firewood the year Ensewing —

5th. To grant money to Procure Schooling and Defray other Town Charges —

6th To hear the Town Creditors Accounts and Act thereon

7th. To know the minds of the Town whether they will Provide Two months Schooling in the Different Parts of the Town as Usal or act any Thing relative thereto —

8th To know the minds of the Town whether they will Repair such parts of the Publick Meeting-House as shall appear to be Necessary —

9th To know the minds of the Town whether they will repay Mr. Josiah Biglow the Sum of Five Pounds two Shillings it being the sum the Said Biglow Paid as a fine for not Serving Constable in the year 1778 —

10th. To know the minds of the Town whether they will Abate Sundry Persons rates in Constables Dudleys & Peirces Lists if they Should then Exhibet any that Should Appear Reasonable to be abated —

[206.] Voted that Deacon Samll Fisk Shall be Moderator of Sd Meeting

1st. Voted that the grant made the Revd Mr Woodward att a former Meeting for Six months from march 1781 to Sepr. 1781 be Assessed in Specie —

2d Voted to grant the Revd mr Woodward Eighteen Pounds in Addition to his Sallery for the year Past —

3d. Voted to grant the Revd Samll. Woodward Sixty-Six Pounds thirteen Shillings and four Pence for his Sallery the Year Ensewing —

4th Voted to grant the Revd mr Woodward thirteen Pounds Six Shillings and Eight Pence in Addition to his Sallery for the year Ensewing —

5th Voted to grant the Sum of Twenty Pounds to Purchase firewood for the Revd mr. Woodward —

6th. Voted that Mr Joseph Whitney Capt. Jona. Fisk and Mr Abraham Jones be a Committee for that Purpose —

7th Voted that there be Two months School Provided in the Defferent Parts of the Town as Usal —

8th Voted that there Shall be Such repairs made to the Publick Meeting-House as Shall appear to be Necessary —

9th Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee for the above Purpose

10th Voted to grant Two Hundred and fifty Pounds to Procure Schooling and to Defray Other Town Charges —

11th. Voted to grant Mrss. Jonas Pierce & Benja. Dudley one Penney & a half upon the Pound for Collecting Two Beef Taxes mr Pierces amounting to £18,419 and mr. Dudleys to £16,580 in Continantal Currancy the grant to be Considered in the Same Currancy or Equivelent in Specie —

12th Voted that mr Josiah Biglow be allowed a Sum of Money Equal in Value to what he the said Biglow Paid as a fine for not Serving in the year 1778 —

[207.] 13th. Voted that the Assessors Accounts be Allowed as Exhibited Viz

	£	S	D
To mr Joseph Russell for two Days Classing the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston a 4/ pr Day	0	8	0
To two Days making the High way Taxes (in June) a 6/ .	0	12	0
To 9 1/2 Days taking Invoice making Sundry Taxes Writing Warrents &c at 6/ Pr. Day	2	17	0
To Paper for Said rates	0	2	0
Total	£3	19	0
To mr Abijah Steadman for two Days Classing . . .	0	8	0
To Ten Days taking Invoice and making Sundry Taxes at 6/ Pr. Day	3	0	0
Total	3	8	0
To mr Uriah Gregory for two Days Classing 4/ . . .	0	8	0
To 11 1/2 Days Taking Invoice and making Sundrie Taxes at 6/ Pr. Day	3	9	0
Total	3	17	0

The Meeting was then Disolved —

1782.

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of Weston Legally Assembled at the Publick Meeting-House in Said Town on Monday the 4th. Day of March 1782 —

1st. To Choose Selectmen and Other Town Officers for the ensewing Year as the Law Directs —

2d. To hear the Town Treasurers Accounts and act thereon

3d. To know the minds of the Town whether their Swine shall go at large the Year ensewing —

4th. To know the minds of the Town whether they will repair their high ways by a rate the Year ensewing and if so to grant money therefor —

[208.] 5th. To hear and act upon a list Prepared for the Jury Box

6th. To grant such a Sum of money as shall then appear to be Nessessary to pay the Interest Due on the Town Securities for the Support of the war, and to take up those Securiteis for which the money is now Demanded, and act any other Matter or thing, relative to the war Committee, or the war Affairs

7th To hear the Petition of Mrs. Anna Biglow and Others relative to Building a Schoolhouse in the Center District and act thereon —

8th. To hear the Town Creditors Accounts and act thereon

9th. To know the minds of the Town whether they do consider the Creek in Watertown near the great Bridge as a Part of Charles River, that the Selectmen may Govern themselves Accordingly in adjusting the Accounts of Said Bridge

10th To know the minds of the Town whether they will abate the Rates of all Such Persons in Constable Thaddeus Springs and Constable Benja. Dudleys Lists of Rates Commited to them to Collect as they shall then make Appear to be reasonable —

11th. To hear the request of Deacon Samuel Fisk and Dean. Isaac Hobbs relative to the Pew that has been lately Occupied by their families —

Moderator Chosen Dean. Samuel Fisk —

Town Clerk	Dean. Isaac Hobbs	Sworn March 18th.
Town Treasurer	Dean. Samuel Fisk	Sworn March 18th.

[209.]

Selectmen	Samuel Fisk Isaac Hobbs Saml. Lamson Thads Spring Jona Fisk

Constables	JONAS SANDERSON JOSIAH BIGLOW	
Surveyors of Highways	ABR^{M}. HARRINGTON JAMES STIMSON JU^{R}. JOHN FLAGG JU^{R}. ISAAC STRATTON JOSEPH ROBERTS	Sworn March ye 18th 1782
Assessors	ABIJAH STEADMAN JOSEPH ROBERTS NATHAN HOBBS	Sworn March 18th. 1782
Tithingmen	DANIEL STRATTON JOEL SMITH	
Hogreaves	JOSEPH RUSSELL JOHN WHITEHEAD	Sworn March 18th 1782
Preserver of Dear	ABIJAH WHITNEY JON^{A}. WARREN	Sworn March 18th. 1782
field Drivers	NATHAN SMITH ELISHA STRATTON	
fence viewers	DANIEL STRATTON JON^{A}. FISK	Sworn M^{r} 18

Sealers of Leather. JON^{A}. UNDERWOOD & ABR^{M}. HARRINGTON Sworn Ma^{r}. 18

Surveyors of Boards &c.	THO^{S}. RAND DANIEL STRATTON	Sworn March 18th. 1782

Voted that EZRA FISK take care of the meeting house Pound &c. and be allowed therefor one Pound Ten Shillings £1–10–0

[210.] 1st. Voted to accept of the Town Treasurers Accounts exhibited which are as followeth viz —

The Account of Sam^{ll}. Fisk Town Treasurer from March 2^{d} 1781 to March 1st. 1782 —

	£	S	D
Rec^{d} of Sundrie Persons &c. viz —			
Rece^{d} by what remain^{d}. in my hands ye last Adjustment	1577	17	1
Rece^{d} of Jonas Peirce late Constable in part . .	20186	0	0
Rece^{d} of Benj^{a}. Dudley late Constable in part . .	13033	10	3
Rece^{d} for half a Years Rent of the work-House . .	100	0	0
Rece^{d} for rent for the Pew formerly Col^{o}. Jones,s .	96	0	0
Rece^{d} of M^{r}. Joseph Russell upon a Note of hand .	16	18	7
	£35010	5	11

Paid Sundrie Persons by Order of the Selectmen &c Viz

Paid John Gardner Esqr. Agent for the requisition of Beef	22840	10	0
Paid m^{r} Jonas Harrington ju^{r} for Wood for ye Rev^{d}: Mr Woodward	262	10	0
Paid Cash for the Burying Cloth	684	0	0
Paid Sam^{ll}. Train ju^{r} for fire-wood for the school . .	195	0	0
Paid Capt Jones for half a Cord of wood for m^{r} Woodward	30	0	0
Paid m^{r} Nathan Hobbs w^{t}. the Town granted him in Ma^{r}: 1781	305	8	0
Paid Master Flint for keeping School two Months .	540	0	0
Paid Isreal Whitemore for Boarding Capt. Brown &c. to the 1st. Mar^{h}. 1781	467	2	0
Paid m^{r} Thad^{s}. Spring for Boarding Master Mudge and for wood for the School and Sundries for Widow Smith	498	0	0
Paid m^{r}. John Bemis for Cutting & Carting wood for School &c	90	0	0
Paid Doct^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Woodward for keeping School two months and Bording him Self	680	10	0
Paid the Rev^{d}: M^{r}. Woodward in part for his Sallery for six months begining Sepr. 25th. 1780 . . .	1019	1	4
Paid Maj^{r} Lamson for feeing an Attorney & Expences at Concord in the case with Josiah Biglow relative to his Serving Constable	224	0	0
	£27836	9	4

[211.] The Account Bro^{t}. over	£27836	1	4
P^{d}. Benj^{a}. Dudley for warning Seven Town-Meeting and Sallery granted by the Town 5th. March 1781 .	90	0	0
Paid m^{r} Elisha Harrington for making Taxes &c. in the year 1780 and Paper for the Same . . .	230	8	0
Paid Amos Jones for wood for the School . . .	90	0	0
Paid M^{r}. Isreal Whittemore for Procuring the Horses for the Use of the Army and for Preambelating .	150	0	0
Paid m^{r} Abijah Steadman for making Taxes granted him by the Town in March — 1781	270	0	0
Paid m^{r} Jonas Pierce for Warning Seven Town-Meetings and Sallery granted him by the Town March 1781	105	0	0
Paid m^{r} Jonas Pierce for Collecting two Beef Taxes granted to him by the Town Sepr. 1781 . . .	115	2	4
Paid the widow Lois Pierce for Boarding her Daughter and Doctring Said Lois	330	0	0
Paid for Cloathing Provided for Capt. Brown . .	57	0	0

Paid for Cloathing for the widow.s Pierce & Patridge .	108	0	0
To one Day going to Boston to Purchase Buring Cloth	24	0	0
Paid for two Coard of wood for the widow Willington	150	0	0
To Counterfiet Money upon my hands	102	0	0
To Old Continantal Curriancy which I now have upon hand	3060	0	0
To Loss Sustained by receving Bills of the New Emmission and Paying them out at four for one . .	847	10	0
To Ballence Due to the Town in Old Continantal Curriancy which I have given Credit for in Silver .	1445	4	3
	£35010	5	11

	£	S	D
Rece^d in Specie of the Collectors as followeth viz.			
Rece^d of m^r Josiah Biglow Present Constable . .	140	0	0
Rece^d of m^r Josiah Seaverns Present Constable . .	88	15	2
	£228	15	2

[212.] The Acc^t. Brought up	£228	15	2
Rec^d for the Rent of the work-House for Six months	1	10	0
by what was Due to the Town to Ballence the Paper money Acc^t.	19	6	8
	£249	11	10

Paid to Sundrie Persons by Order of Selectmen as followeth Viz.	£	S	D
To the Rev^d m^r Woodward in part of his Sallery for Six months begining march 25th. 1781 . . .	47	17	6
To M^r. Jon^a. Fisk for Boarding Master Allen Eight weeks and Six Coard of wood a 16/ . . .	8	0	0
To Mr Elias Biglow for 1375 lb. of Beef . . .	33	18	0
To Mr Joel Smith in part for Beef for the Town .	21	4	0¼
To Mr Simeon Smith in part for Ditto	14	8	5
To Mr Thad^s Spring for Supporting the Poor of ye Town	4	19	6
Paid Mr Isreal Whitemore for Boarding Capt. Brown from the 5th. March to the 22^d Oct^r. . . .	14	17	0
To m^r Jon^a Stratton for Plank for Bridges . . .	1	10	0
Paid Mr Joseph Hawes for Boarding Nat^ll. Dewing .	3	9	8
Paid m^r Isaac Hobbs for Boards & Shingles to repair the Publick Meeting-House	12	18	0
Paid Master Mudge for Keeping School two Months .	5	6	8
Paid m^r. Nath^ll. Bemis for Boarding Lois Pierce from the 25th. of April to 11th. of Decr. 1781 . . .	7	17	10
To Maj^r. Lamson for Boarding Master Flint Eighteen Weeks at 9/ P^r. Week	8	2	0
To Mr James Smith for Nine Coard of fire wood . .	7	4	0

To Master Allen for Keeping School 8 Weeks NE School	5	10	0
To Master Flint for Keeping School Two Months .	6	0	0
To Mr Benja. Jones for Boarding Master Flint Eight weeks and five Days a 8/ Pr. week . . .	3	9	2
	206	11	9
[213.] The Acct. brot. over	£206	11	9¼
To Mr Abrm. Jones two Coard & 5 feet of wood . .	2	2	0
To Colo. Marshal for three Coard of Wood . .	2	8	0
To Mr. Abijah Steadman by Assignment . . .	3	8	0
Paid Mr Uriah Gregory his Acct. in full for Supporting the widdow Partridge from Mar 5th. Decr 1781 .	15	4	7¾
Paid Mr. Daniel Stratton for 160 lb. of Beef for Mrs. Wellington	2	13	4
Paid Majr. Lamson for 440 lb. of Beef for ye Army .	6	8	0
Paid Mr. Wm. Biglow in full of a Note of hand . .	6	12	0
Paid to Hiers of Jona Bullard in full of Note of hand	22	13	0
Paid Mr Jonas Harrington Interest on a Note . .	0	12	0
To Driving Cattle to Sudbury two Day & expences .	0	15	0
Paid for Cloathing & Supporting Capt Jno. Brown .	4	8	1
To Provisions Supplied the widow Willington . .	0	10	0
To Cloathing for Lois Pierce	1	3	0
Paid for Hay and Rails for the widow Willington .	2	8	6
To 4 1/2 Bunches of Shingles to repair the Meeting House	3	12	0
To three Coard of wood for the School	2	8	0
To one Day to Cambridge to Pay the Beef money .	0	6	0
Paid the Expenc of the Selectmen at Waltham . .	0	3	6
Paid by an Abatement in Constable Russell list . .	0	3	7
Paid the widow Pierce in full for Boarding her Daughter	2	17	0
Paid to Ezra Fisk for Taking care of the meeting-House the year Past	1	4	0
	£288	11	4¾
Reced of Sundry Persons	249	11	10
Remains Due to Said Treasurer	£38	19	6¾

[214.] The Subscribers having Examined the foregoing Accounts find them well Vouched and right cast and there is Due to Deacon Samuel Fisk Town Treasurer in Specie thirty Eight Pounds Nineteen Shillings and Six pence —

and there remains in the hands of mr. Jonas Peirce late Constable £2240—4—2 Old Currancy eaqual to £29—18—5

and there remains hands of Mr. Josiah Seaverns late Constable one Hundred and Ninty four Pounds Seventeen Shillings & Eleven Pence £194 17 11

and there remains in the hands of Mr Josiah Biglow Present Constable one Hundred and twenty Seven Pounds thirteen Shillings and Seven Pence £127 13 7

ISAAC HOBBS
SAMEL. LAMSON
THADS. SPRING
URIAH GREGORY
} Selectmen

2 Voted to repair the Highways by a rate and granted the Sum of Sixty-five Pounds therefor to worked out. a Six Pence Pr. Hour for man or Team —

3d. Voted to Accept of the list prpared for the Jury Box —

4th Voted that Capt. Estes How — Mr. Samll. Livermore — and Mr. Elisha Harrington be a Committee to Examin the War Treasurers Accounts —

5th. Voted that the war Treasurer be Directed to Call upon the Head of each class for a Settlement —

6 Voted that this Meeting be adjourned to Monday the 18th. Day of this Instant March a one o,Clock P. M.

Monday ye 18th. March 1782 Meet according to Adjournment

[215.] 7th. Voted to Accept of the war Treasurers Accounts as Exhibited which are as followeth Viz —

The Account of Isaac Hobbs war Treasurer from March 2d 1781 to March 16th. 1782

	£	S	D
Recd of Mr Jonas Pierce late Constable . . .	19961	1	5
Recd. of Mr Benja. Dudley late Constable . . .	19410	12	7
Recd of Samll. Lauchlin in full for Money Lent . .	300	0	0
	£39671	14	0
Thus far in Continantal Curriancy which Sum reduced to Silver at Seventy five of the former Currancy for one of the Latter is	£529	12	6
Recd of Mr. Josiah Seaverns present Constable . .	129	13	1
Recd of Mr. Josiah Biglow present Constable . .	129	6	4
Borrowed and Recd of Mr Uriah Gregory . . .	7	18	2
Recd by Certificats for Milage	9	12	0
Sum Total Recd — in Specie	£806	2	1

	£	S	D
To money Paid for the Support of the war Viz			
Paid Sam^{ll}. Dale in full for Six months Service in 1780	900	0	0
Paid W^{m}. Neal in full for Ditto	900	0	0
Paid John Fraisher in full for Ditto	900	0	0
Paid Nath^{el}. Bemis in ful for three months . . .	1200	0	0
Paid W^{m}. Broadrib for three years	1125	0	0
Paid John Colleney for Ditto	718	10	0
Paid Morris Dingin for Ditto	279	0	0
Paid John Walker [Jur.] in part for Ditto . . .	1394	8	6
Paid M^{r}. Elisha Harrington money to Defend against Cummings	660	0	0
Paid Isaac Gage for Boarding John Colleney , .	120	0	0
Paid Capt. Smith in full of the Town grant Decr. 1780 for Services as one of the war Committee . .	90	0	0
	£8286	18	6

	£	S	D
[216.] The Account Bro^{t}. up	8286	18	6
Paid Capt Nathan Smith for 18/ advanced the Soldiers	67	10	0
Paid Sam^{ll}. Bentley in full for Services Done for y^{e}. Town	90	0	0
Paid My Self the Ballence Due to me the Last adjustment	61	4	4
Paid William Thompson in part for three years . .	3801	18	6
Paud Paul Pratt for Ditto	2400	0	0
Paid George Brown for Ditto	3417	0	0
Paid Alexander Smith for Ditto	3375	0	0
Paid Sam^{ll}. Hinds for Ditto	4500	0	0
Paid Noah Parkhurst for Ditto	2650	4	4
Paid John Hinds for Ditto	2441	4	2
Paid Stephen Hager for Ditto	4377	4	0
Paid Cash in the cause with Cummings . . .	298	10	0
by Cash on hand of the old Curriancy	636	0	0
	£36402	13	10

Thus far in Continantal Curriancy which at the exchange of Seventy-five for one is	£485	7	4
Paid Abel Pierce in full for Nine Months Service 1779	9	13	6
Paid m^{r} Elisha Harrington in part for Isachar Philemon Service for the Town	3	5	0
Paid m^{r} Stephen White for Interest Due . . .	5	1	0
Paid John Sanderson for Ditto	2	16	7
Paid william Fisk for Ditto	3	4	0
Paid Eben^{r}. Phillips for Ditto	2	5	0
Paid Capt Fisk for Ditto	3	0	0

Paid m^{r}. Isreal Whittemore in full for his Time & Expences going to Providence to Detect Deserters .	1	16	0
P^{d}. John Pierce in full for Ditto	1	16	0
Paid m^{r} Isreal Whitemore in ful of the Town grant for his Service as one of the Committee of war .	2	0	0
Paid M^{r}. Elisha Harrington to Defend in the Cause with Cummings	21	13	6
Pald Mr John Walker in part for three Years . .	31	1	7
	£572	19	6

	£	S	D
[217.] The Account Bro^{t}. over	572	19	6
Paid Mr John Bemis for five months in part . .	14	6	7¾
Paid Benj^{a}. Stimson in full for Ditto	4	13	0
For three months at west Point Paid John Biglow in part	9	0	0
Paid Sam^{ll}. Lamson in part for Ditto	9	0	0
Paid Thad^{s}. Peirce in part for Ditto	14	14	0
Paid Daniel Ward in part for Ditto	9	0	0
Paid Peter Cary in part for Ditto	12	0	0
Paid James Crawford in full for Ditto	25	10	0
Paid Joseph Stone in full for Ditto	25	10	0
Paid Jeduthun Bemis in part for Ditto	23	10	1
Paid Daniel Biles in part for Ditto	12	19	0
Paid Morris Dingin in part for three year . . .	28	0	0
Paid Wm Broadrib for Ditto	10	16	0
Paid John Colleney for Ditto	5	5	0
Paid John Clark in full for three years	66	0	0
by 40 Dollars in Bills of the New Emmission Rec^{d} at four for one	3	0	0
Paid Elisha Harrington to Defend in the case with Cummings	5	2	0
Paid Deacon Fisk in part for Procuring one Andrew Burn to Serve three years	16	0	0
	£867	5	2¾
Rec^{d}. of the Several Collectors &c	£806	2	1
Due to the Treasurer	£61	3	1¾

The Committee appointed to Examin the foregoing accounts have Diligently Attended that Service and find them well Vouched and right cast —

[218.] and there remains Due to Said Treasurer Sixty one Pounds three Shillings and one Peney three farthings

and there remains in the hands of Mr. Jonas Pierce late Constable Eight Thousand Six Hundred and fifty-one Pounds four Shillings and Seven Pence old Curriancy — at the Exchange of Seventy-five for one is . . . . . £115 . . 7 . . 0

and there remains in the hands of Mr. Benja. Dudley late Constable four Thousand five Hundred and Eighteen Pounds five Shillings and Eleven Pence old Curriancy — at the Exchange of Seventy five for one is . . . £60 . . 4 . . 10¾

and there remains in the hands of Mr Josiah Seaverns Present Constable fifty-four Pounds Eight Shillings & one Peney £54 . . 8 . . — 1

and there remains in the hands of mr Josiah Biglow Present Constable thirty-Six Pounds Seven Shillings & Six Pence £36 . . 7 . . 6

Estes How
Samll. Livermore } Committee

8th. Voted to grant four Hundred Pounds for the Purpose of Paying Interest on the Town Securities and take up those Securities for which the money in now Demanded

9th. Voted to grant three Hundred Pounds for the Purpose of hireing five men to Serve three years in the Army.

On the Petition of Mrs. Anna Biglow and Others for Building a School-House in the Center District

[219.] 10 Voted to grant one Hundred Pounds for the Purpose of Building a School-House in the Center District —

11th. Voted that Capt. Isaac Jones Mr. Thos. Rand and Den. Isaac Hobbs be a Committee, to consider of, and Propose a place on which Said School-House being placed would best Accomodate the Inhabitants of Said District — and also to propose the Dimentions of Sd. School-House and report to the Town —

12th. Voted that the Ninth Article in the warrent which hath respect to the great Bridge in Watertown be Dismised —

13 Voted to abate the rates of Sundry Persons in Thads. Springs (late Constable,s) rate Bill as followeth viz —

John Hager ju^{r} Ten Shillings and Six pene	£0	10	6
Jesse Garfield fifteen Shillings and three pence	0	15	3
Jon^{a}. Cox Ten Shillings and Six Pene	0	10	6
Abr^{m}. Whitney Ten Shillings & Six pence	0	10	6
Total	£2	6	9

14 Voted to abate the rates of Sundry Persons in Benj^{a}. Dudley late Constable,s Rate Bill as followeth

Viz. Abr^{m}. Whitney £146 old Curriancy 5/6 in Specie —

Amos Ardeway £62—6—0 old Currancy —

W^{m}. Bond Sett to M^{rs}. Baldwin five Shillings Silver

♯ (17th. record Should have been here)

15 Voted that this Meeting be Adjourned to Tursday 21st: Day of March at 4 o,Clock P. M.

Thursday 21 Day of March Meet According to Adjournment

16th Voted that Nathan Hager be Constable for the North Side and M^{r}. Josiah Biglow was Accepted in his room and Sworn the Same Day —

[220.] ♯On the request of Deacon Fisk and Deacon Hobbs

17th Voted that they Shall have the Sole Benefitt of the Pew lately Occupied by thier families they or either of them paying into the Town Treasurery the Sum of thirty-Six Shillings Annually for the Use of the Same untill the further Order of the Inhabitants of this Town —

18th. Voted that this Meeting be adjourned to Monday the 25th. Day March at 5 o,Clock P : M :

Monday 25th. March 5 o,clock P M : Meet According to Adjournment

19th. Voted that this meeting be Adjourned to the first Day of April Next at 4 o,Clock P : M :

April 1st. 4 o,Clock P M : Meet According to Adjournment

20 Voted that Mr Joseph Roberts Mr John Warren M^{r}. Nathan Hobbs and M^{r}. Thad^{s}. Spring be Annexed to the Committee relative to Placeing a School-House in the Center District and to report at the Annual Town meeting in may Next —

21 Voted that the Accounts of the war Committee be Allowed as Exhibited Viz —

	£	S	D
To Dea^{n}. Isaac Hobbs for his Service as Committee and Treasurer	12	0	0
To Deacon Fisk for his Service in Committee . . .	3	0	0
To Maj^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Lamson for Ditto	3	0	0
To Mr Isreal Whittemore for Ditto	4	0	0

22^{d}. Voted that this meeting be Adjourned untill the Next Annual Town Meeting to be held in may for the Choice of a Representative at four o,Clock P. M:

Monday 13th of May meet According to Adjournment

23 Voted to Accept of the report of the Committee appointed to Propose a place for Building a School-House in the Center District which is as followeth — Viz —

[221.] Viz The Committee appointed to Propose a Place for Building a School-House in the Center District having Duely Considered the Matter — Report —

that the South-East Corner of M^{r}. [Daniel & Ebenezer] Eatons Land on the North Side of the County Road is the Spot that would best Accomidate the Inhabitants of Said District

9th. May 1782

ISAAC JONES
JOHN WARREN
JOSEPH ROBERTS
NATHAN HOBBS
ISAAC HOBBS
THAD^{s} SPRING
} Committee

24th. Voted that Capt. Isaac Jones Capt. Jon^{a}. Fisk and Maj^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Lamson be a Committee to Purchase the Land reported by the above Committe to Build a School-House on and to Proceed to Providing materials for and Building the Same —

♯ The Assessors Acct^{s} were also allowed, and Recorded Page 223^{d}.

The Meeting was then Desolved —

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of Weston at the Publick Meeting House in Said Town on Monday the first Day of April 1782 a 2 O,Clock P: M:

1st. To bring in thier Votes for a Governor of this Commonwealth —

2d. To bring in thier votes for a Lieut. Governour

3d. To bring in thier Votes for five Senators Agreable to the Constitution of this Commonwealth —

[222.] for Governor	His Exelency JOHN HANCOCK ESQR had	49	Votes
	JAMES BORDWAIN ESQR had	21	

for Lieut. Governor The Honble: THOS. CUSHING ESQR. had Sixty one votes

for Senators	ABRM. FULLER ESQR had	—	53	Votes
	EBENR BRIDGE ESQR	—	53	
	JAMES PRESCOTT ESQR	—	49	
	ELEAZER BROOKS ESQR	—	22	
	JONAS DIX ESQR.	—	31	
	JOSEPH CURTIS ESQR.	—	31	
	JOSIAH STONE ESQR.	—	21	
	NATHLL. GORHAM ESQR.	—	4	
	JOSEPH HOSMER ESQR.	—	1	

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston being Duely Quallified and Legally warned, and Assembled at the Publick Meeting House in Said Town on Monday the thirteenth Day of May 1782 a 2 O,Clock P M: — Did then and there elect and Depute DEACON SAMUEL FISK to Represent them in the General Court the Year Ensewing —

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of Weston at the Publick Meeting-House in Said Town on Monday the thirteenth Day of May 1782 at 5 O,clock. P M:

1st. to Hear the Petition of Capt. Estes How and Others Relative to having two School-Houses in the Center District and act thereon —

2d To hear the report of the Committee that were appointed to take Quit Claim Deeds of Josiah Smith Esqr and his Son Joel Smith relative to Lands near the Publick Meeting-House and Act thereon —

[223.] DEACON SAM^LL^. FISK *Chosen Moderator*

On the Petition of Capt. Estes How and Others

1st. The vote being put to know the minds of the Town whether they will Build two School-Houses in the Center District — and it passed in the Negative

2^d^ Voted to accept of the report of the Committee relative to the Towns Land near the Meeting-House

and Rece^d^ Quit Claim Deeds from Josiah Smith Esqr and from Joel Smith his son —

The Meeting was then Desolved

ⱷ1781 from Octr. 1st. to March 1st. 1782 The Assessors Acc^ts^. Allowed on the Adjournment of March Meeting [see page 325] are as followeth — Viz —

To Joseph Russell for Days taking Invice and Making Sundry Taxes at 4/ P^r^. Day and Paper therefor . .	£2	17	6
To Abijah Steadman for thirteen Days Taking Invoice and making Sundrie Taxes	2	12	0
To Uriah Gregory to 13 Days Taking Invoice and making Sundrie Taxes	2	12	0

WESTON March 4 1782

JOSEPH RUSSELL
ABIJAH STEADMAN
URIAH GREGORY

[224.] At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duly Quallified and Legally warned in Publick Town Meeting Assembled at the Meeting house in Said Town on Monday ye 14th. Day of Octr. 1782 at 2 O,Clock P M : then and there —

1st. To grant the Rev^d^ M^r^. Woodward his Sallery for one Year next ensewing y^e^. 25 March 1782 —

2^d^ to know the minds of the Town whether they will make the the Reev^d^. Mr Woodward any Additional grant to his Sallery for the year ensewing —

3^d^. To mak Provision for the Rev^d^. M^r^. Woodwards firewood the Year ensewing —

4th. To grant money to Procure Schooling — for the Support of the Poor, and to Defray Other Town Charges —

5th To know the minds of the Town whether they will Provide Two Months Schooling in the Different parts of the Town as usal or act any thing relative thereto —

6th. To hear the Town Creditors Accounts and Act thereon

7th To hear the Proposals of the Proprietors of a Bell Which was purchased with a view to the Benefit of the Town — and act thereon —

8th To know the minds of the what Measures they will Pursue Effectually to call in thier out Standing Taxes that thier Treasurers may be enabled to Discharge the Debts of the Town without Sustaining further Loss

9 To know the minds of the Town whether they will abate the Rates of Sundry Persons in mr Uriah Gregory late [225.] Constable list or act any thing relative thereto as shall then Appear to be reasonable —

Deacon Samll. Fisk *was Chosen Moderator of Sd. Meeting*

1st. Voted to pass over the first, Second, and third Articles of Said Meeting —

2d. Voted to grant Three Hundred Pounds for the usal Charges of The Town —

3d Voted to grant two months Schooling in the Different Parts of the Town as usal —

4th. To Accept of the offer of the Proprietors of a Bell with the Conditions thereunto Annexed, which are as followeth. viz. The Proprietors make a Present of the Bell to the Town Provided they will Hang it Decently for the use of the Town —

5th Voted to allow the Town Creditors Accounts as Exhibited which are as followeth viz. —

To Mr. Joseph Roberts for four Days Spent in the Service of the Town in Classing the Town and making the Class Assesments a 4/ pr. Day	£0	16	0
To 2 1/2 Days Taking the Invoice	0	10	0
To making the State Town & highway Tax	2	8	0
To one Day to Boston 8/ Paper 3/5	0	11	5
	£4	5	5

To mr. Nathan Hobbs for Simelar Services Done in the Capasity of an Assesor	3	12	0
To Mr. Abijah Steadman for Ditto	2	16	9
To Mr Joseph Russell for 150 Bricks and Cloth . . .	£1	1	0

[226.] 6th Voted that the respective Treasurers of the Town are hereby Directed to Issue Warrents against such of the late Constables as shall be Delinquent at the Expiration of one month from the Date of this Meeting —

The Meeting was then Desolved —

At a Meeting of the freeholder and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston duly Quallified to Vote in Town affairs being Legally Warned and Assembled at the Publick Meeting-house in Said Town on Monday the fourteenth Day of October 1782 at three O,clock P. M: then and there —

To mak such Provision for the relief of the Distressed Familey of our late Reverend Faithfull and Beloved Pastor as the Town shall then think Proper — or act any thing relative to the Matter —

1st Voted to grant Sixty-Six Pounds thirteen Shillings and four Pence for the relief of the Distresed family of our Deceased Pastor (exclusive of the funeral Charges)

2d Voted that the above sum be Immediately Assessed and Payed as Soon as may be —

The Meeting was then Desolved —

Att a Legal Meeting of The Inhabitants of the Town of Weston at the Publick meeting-house in Said Town on Monday the Eighteenth Day of Novr: 1782 a one o,Clock P. M: then & there —

1st: To Know the minds of the Town what Provision they will make for the Support of Gospel Ministry and to grant money therefor, or act any thing relative thereto —

[227.] 2d. To grant money to Defray the Funeral Charges of our late Revd. Faithfull and Beloved Pastor or act any thing relative to the matter —

1st: Voted To grant the Sum of Sixty Pounds for the Support of the Gospel Minestry —

2d. Voted to grant the Sum of Fifteen Pounds to Defray the Charges of the Funeral of our late Revd. faithfull and Beloved Pastor, to be Assessed with the above Sum of Sixty Pounds —

3d. Voted that the Deacons of the Church of Christ in this Town be a Committee to Provide Preaching untill Other Provision Shall be made —

4th. Voted that whoever shall advance money to the above Committee for the Purpose above mentioned shall be Respectively Credited therefor in the Rate Bill for that Purpose —

The Meeting was then Adjourned unto Monday the Second Day of Decer. next — being meet According to Adjournment

1st. Voted that two Persons be Annexed to the Committee of the Church to Procure Preaching

2d Voted that Colo. Marshal be one of Said Committe and he Excused him Self—

The meeting was then Adjourned unto monday the Sixth Day of Janry: being meet Accordingly, the Meeting was then Adjourned unto monday the 27th. Day of Janry. Instant at which Time being Assembled the Question was Put whether they would act any thing further upon the warrent and it Passed in the Negative The Meeting was then Desolved

1783.

[228.] Att a meeting of the freeholders and Other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston duly Quallified and Legaly warned in Publick Town meeting assembled at the Publick Meeting-House in Said Town on Monday the 24th. Day of Febry. 1783 at two o,Clock P. M: Then & there —

1st. To know the minds of the Town whether they are ready to make choice of a Person to Settle in this Town in the Ministry of the Gospel —

(and if so)

2d. To proceed to the choice of some sutiable Person for the purpose above mentioned —

3d. To know the minds of the Town what encouragement they will give the Person whom they shall Choose to Settle in the Gospel Minestry —

4th. To make such grants as are Adequate to the Services of

a Gospel Minester and Nessessary to accoplish the Settlement thereof — or act any other mather or thing that in any wise relates to the resettlement of the Gospel Minestry in this Town —

DEACON SAM^LL^. FISK *chosen Moderator*

1st The Question being put to know the minds of the Town wether they were ready to come to the choice of a Person to Settle in the Gospel Minestry — and it passed in the Affirmative as 43 to 19 —

2^d^ The vote being call,^d^. for M^r^. Sam^ll^. Kendal had forty-two Votes

3^d^. Voted to grant Two Hundred Pounds Settlement as an Encouragement to M^r^. Kendal to Settle with us in the work of the Minestry —

[229.] 5th. Voted to grant Eighty Pounds Sallery to be Paid Annualy and fifteen Coards of firewood Annualy

6th Voted that the Deacons of the Church be a Committee to Inform M^r^. Kendal of the Proceedings of the Town

the meeting was then Desolved —

Att a Meeting of the freeholders and Others Inhabitants of the Town Weston being duly Quallified and Legally warned in Publick Town Meeting Assembled at the Meeting-House in Said Town on Monday the third Day of March 1783 at Eleven O,Clock A M : then & there —

1st : To Choose Selectmen and Other Town Officers (as the Law Directs) for the year ensewing —

2^d^. To hear the Petition of Samuel Train & others Relative to Choosing Collectors of Taxes or act any thing relative to the matter —

3^d^. To hear the Accounts of thier Respective Treasurers and Act thereon —

4th To know the minds of the Town whether thier Swine Shall go at Large the year ensewing —

5th. To know the minds of Town whether they will repair thier High-ways by a Rate the year ensewing and if so to grant money therefor —

6th. To hear and Act upon a list prepared for the Jury Box

[230.] 7th. To grant such a sum of money as the Town shall think Expedient towards Defraying the expences of the present war and Paying Interest Due on Town Securities given for that Purpose and act any other matter or thing relative to the war Committee or the war Affairs —

8 To hear the Town Creditors Accounts and act thereon

9th To know the minds of the Town whether they will Abate the rates of Sundry Persons in Mrss. Jonas Peirces & Benja. Dudleys Rate Bills — such as shall then be requested. and made appear reasonable that such rates should be abated

DEACON SAMUEL FISK *Chosen Moderator of Sd. Meeting*

Selectmen	SAMUEL FISK ISAAC HOBBS SAMUEL LAMSON THADs. SPRING JONA. FISK	
Town Clerk	ISAAC HOBBS	Sworn March 17th.
Town Treasurer	ISAAC HOBBS	
Constables & Collectors	JOSIAH STEADMAN URIAH GREGORY	Sworn march 17th.
Assessors	ABIJAH STEADMAN JOSEPH ROBERTS NATHAN HOBBS	Sworn march 17th.
[231.] Wardens	ELISHA HARRINGTON JONATHAN FISK INCREASE LEADBETER	Sworn March 17th
Surveyors of Highways & Collectors	AMOS JONES THADs. SPRING MATTHEW HOBBS NATHLL ALLEN SAMLL. TRAIN	Sworn march 17th.
Tythingmen	JOSIAH STEADMAN PHINEHAS UPHAM	Sworn March 17
Hogreaves	JOSEPH ROBERTS JONAS PEIRCE	Sworn March 17

Preserver of Deer	MATTHEW HOBBS JON^A. WARREN	
Field Drivers	HEZEKIAH WYMAN JOSEPH PIERCE	Sworn March 17
Fence viewers	NATHAN HAGER DANIEL STRATTON	Sworn March 17th
Sealers of Leather	JONAS SANDERSON NATHAN HAGER	March 17 Sworn
Surveyors of Boards &c	DANIEL STRATTON JOSEPH RUSSELL	Sworn March 17

EZRA FISK to take care of the Meeting House &c as usall for the year ensewing and to be Allowed Thirty Shillings for the Same —

[232.] On the Petition of Samuel Train & others relative to Choosing Collectors — the Question being put to know the minds of the Town whether they will Choose Collectors of Taxes and it passed in the Affirmative as forty one to fourteen

2d Voted to allow 4d. pr. Pound for Collecting all Taxes —

3d. Voted that Messrs. Elisha Harrington Uriah Gregory and Joseph Russell be a Committee to examin the Accounts of the war Treasurer —

The Meeting was then Adjourned unto Monday the Seventeenth Day of March Instant at one O,Clock PM : — Monday 17th. March Meet According to Adjournment

1st Voted to Accept of the Accounts of thier Respective Treasurers as they were exhibited which were as followeth Viz

The Account of Samuel Fisk Town Treasurer from the first Day of March 1782 to the 28th : of Febry : 1783

	£	S	D
Recede of Mr. Jonas Pierce late Constable in full . .	29	18	5
Recede of Mr. Josiah Biglow in full what remained in his hands the last Adjustment	127	13	7
Recede of Mr Josiah Seavern late Constable in full . .	195	17	11
Recd of Mr Josiah Biglow Present Constable in part .	60	14	1
Recd of mr Jonas Sanderson Present Constable in part	28	10	0
Recd of the State Treasurer by an Abatement to the Town	15	3	0
Recd of the Town of Watertown on Adjustment . .	5	5	0
	463	2	0

[233.] The Account Bro^{t}. Over	£463	2	0
Rece^{d} for the rent of the Work-House	004	10	0
Rece^{d} by the sale of the Old glass of the Meeting House	1	3	6
Rec^{d}. by the Rent of Pew formerly Col^{o}. Jones^{s}. . .	1	16	0
Rec^{d} of the Rev^{d}. Mr Woodward for Boards and Shingles Prepared for the Meeting-House . . .	4	10	0
Rec^{d} by the Sale of the Old School-House Timber . .	1	1	0
Rece^{d} by the Sale of the Boards &c remaning of the New School House	0	16	3
Total	£476	18	9

	£	S	D
Paid Sundry Persons by Order of the Selectmen &c Viz. Paid my self the Ballence Due the last adjustment	38	19	6¾
Paid in full the Sallery of the late Revd Mr Sam^{ll} Woodward from March 25th. 1781 to Ap^{r}. 1st. 1782 . .	83	9	2
Paid the Committee towards Building the School-House in the Center District	50	0	0
Paid Jon^{a}. Dix or Mary his wife her Acc^{t}. in full for Boarding the widdow Smith &c &c	4	12	0
Paid John Hastings his Acc^{t}. in full for Boarding the widow Smith from the 17th. Day Decr. 1781 to Ap^{r}. 1782	3	15	0
Paid Joseph Hawes for Boarding Nath^{ll}. Dewing from the first Day of march 1782 Six months & a waist Coat .	7	15	0
Paid Abigail Starr in part for Boarding Master Flint .	2	4	2
Paid Abigail Starr in full for Ditto in 1782 . . .	1	16	10
Paid Abigail Starr for Boarding Judith Piper . . .	1	9	0
Paid Betsey Adams in full for keeping School . .	0	16	0
Paid John Hastings in full for Boarding the widow Smith three months	3	3	0
	£197	19	8¾

[234.] The Account Bro^{t} up	£197	19	8¾
Paid Jon^{a} Cook in full for Boarding Capt. Brown . .	6	12	0
Paid Weston Proportion for repairing the great Bridge .	13	1	3¾
Paid Mr Joseph Whitney in full for Boarding Capt Brown	6	15	0
Paid Jon^{a} Stratton in full for Plank & Timber for Bridges	1	19	0
Paid Isreal Whittemore for Boarding Capt. Brown Seven weeks about June 1782 & for Plank & wood . .	5	19	6
Paid Joseph Hawes in full for Boarding Nath^{ll}. Dewing from the 11th. Dece^{r}. 1781 to the 1st. Ap^{r}. 1782 . .	5	7	8

Paid Benj^{a}. Dudley for Plank & wood in 1781 . . .	1	15	6
Paid Abijah Steadman for Making Sundry Assessments &c as Allowed by the Town	5	8	9
Paid Oliver Hastings for Boarding Master Mudge and the widdow Smith Preceding Mar: 1st. 1782 . .	4	19	8
Paid Benj^{a}. Dudley w^{t}. the Town allowed him for Collecting Taxes at thier meeting Sepr 5th. 1782 . .	1	10	0
Paid M^{r}. Thad^{s}. Spring in full for Boarding Master Mudge and repairing the NE School . . .	3	14	0
Paid Isaac Hobbs for Plank & Salt Pork	4	8	0
Paid Ditto. for repairing the Meeting-House . . .	3	0	0
Paid Ditto for Boarding Master Flint & a Pare Shoes .	4	3	0
Paid Ditto. for 32 lb of Beef. 10/8 for a Blanket 6/ .	0	16	8
Paid John Flagg ju^{r} for Boarding Lois Peirce in full .	4	16	0
Paid Uriah Gregory for Sundries Supplied the Widow Willington	5	18	5
Paid Capt. Fisk for Ditto Suplied Ditto — and repairing the meeting-House	13	6	10
Paid Sam^{ll}. P. Savage for a Pigg for M^{rs}. Weelington .	0	8	3
Paid Simeon Smith for Plank and Timber for Bridges .	1	8	0
Paid Master Mudge for Keeping School four months .	9	12	0
Paid Jon^{a}. Warren for Timber for the Town Bridges .	0	12	0
Paid Benj^{a} Rand for Labour at the Meeting House .	2	14	6
	£306	5	9½

[235.] The Account Brought over	£306	5	9½
Paid Master Biglow in part for keeping School . .	2	14	0
Paid Joel Smith for keeping School 27 Days Boarding himself and twelve feet of wood	5	4	0
Paid the Uriah Gregory for Sundries Supplied Wid^{o}. Wellington	2	14	0
Paid Thos. Rand in full for Sundries Supplied for the use of the Town	5	3	0
Paid Nathan Hager for Beef & for Wid^{o}. Wellington .	4	12	11
Paid Madam Woodwood her account in full for Boarding the Preachers unto the 26 Feb^{ry}.	3	14	0
Paid m^{r} Jonas Harrington for Plank for Bridges . .	1	1	6
Paid Thos. Rand ju^{r}. for four Hundred of Clapboards and Labour at the meeting House	3	0	0
Paid Maj^{r} Sam^{ll} Lamson for Sundries Supplied the widow Wellington	5	17	7
Paid Mr Josiah Biglow for two Cord of wood . . .	1	12	0
Paid master Flint for keeping School 6 months . .	20	8	0
Paid Capt. Jones for Shingles £4 and for Sundries Provided for the funeral of m^{r} Woodward £4: 2/9 .	8	2	9

Paid Moses Sanderson for Boarding Capt. Brown . .	9	12	0
Paid by abatement of Rates in Constable Spring list .	2	6	9
Paid Jonas Peirce Interest on a Note of hand . .	1	4	0
Paid Joseph Russell for Sundries for the use of the Town	1	1	0
Paid Joseph Roberts w^{t}. the Town Allowed him for Service as an Assessor. and for Sitting in Convention .	10	3	5¾
Paid Simeon Smith in full for Beef for the Army . .	22	4	0
Paid Joel Smith in full for Beef for the Army . .	10	0	6
Paid Nathan Hobbs for Services done for the Town in ,78	1	10	0
Paid Uriah Gregory w^{t} the Town Allowed him for Services done in Capacity of an Assessor in 1781 . .	2	12	0
Paid Josiah Biglow w^{t}. the Town allowed him for paying his fine for not Serving Constable	1	6	5
	£432	9	8¼

[236.] The Acc^{t}. Brought up	£432	9	8¼
Paid Ezra Fisk for Takeing care of the meeting house .	1	10	0
Paid myself for Clothing and Supporting the Poor for glass & Nails for the meeting House and Sundrie other Articles being my Acc^{t}. in full as allowed by the Selectmen	36	19	9
	£470	19	5¼

We the Subscribers having examined the foregoing accounts find them well Vouched and right cast and there remains in the hands of Deacon Sam^{ll}. Fisk Town Treasurer Six Pounds and four Pence £6 0 4

And there remains in the hands of Jonas Sanderson Present Constable Two Hundred and fifty one Pounds Eleven Pence £251 0 11

And there remains in the hands of Josiah Biglow Present Constable one Hundred and Ninty four Pounds five Shillings and three Pence £194 5 3

ISAAC HOBBS
SAM^{LL} LAMSON
THAD^{S}. SPRING
JON^{A}. FISK
} Selectmen

The Acc^{t}. of Isaac Hobbs War Treasurer for Money paid for the Support of the war from March 16th. 1782 to March 15th. 1783 —

Viz paid M^{r}. Daniel Livermore for Procuring John Johnson to Serve three years in the Army . . .	48	0	10
paid in the Cause with Cummings at the Supream Juditial Court at Concord	12	3	4
	£60	4	2

[237.] The Account brought over	£60	4	2
Paid Amos Warren in full for a Note for David Parkers Service Six months	10	5	6
Paid David Parker in full for a Note for Six Months Service with cost	11	1	6
Paid Elisha Harrington to Defend in the cause with Cummings	7	0	4
Paid Capt Smith for Ditto	2	0	0
Paid Eben^{r} Philips in full of a Note	13	14	0
Paid D^{n}. Fisk for procuring one Andrew Burn to serve three Years in the Army	49	7	0
Paid Capt. Fisk in full for Procuring one William Thompson to Serve three Years in the Army . . .	14	10	10
Paid Sheriff Baldwin Costs on Mr^{ss}. Pierces and Dudleys Executions	4	5	6
Paid M^{rs}. Anna Biglow in full of a Note . . .	2	10	3
Paid M^{rs}. Anna Biglow Interest on an other Note . .	0	18	0
Paid Mr Joseph Russell Interest on a Note . . .	2	14	7
Paid Eleazer Rider in part of a Note of hand . . .	40	4	0
Paid Capt. John Flagg in full of a Note	6	13	0
Paid Bezaleel Flagg Interest on a Note of hand . .	4	18	0
Paid the Widow Walker in part of a Note . . .	2	9	8
Paid M^{r}. Hunt in Hammonds Cause	0	12	0
Paid W^{m}. Fisk Esqr. for his Trouble in the Same Cause .	0	6	0
Paid John Hinds in part of a Note	1	16	0
Paid the following Persons what the Town granted them in march 1782 for the Services as Committee of war &c —			
Viz Paid Deacon Fisk	3	0	0
Paid Maj^{r}. Lamson £3 — Paid M^{r}. J. Whittemore 4 .	7	0	0
Paid my Self £6 paid my Self as Treasurer £6 . .	12	0	0
	£257	10	4

[238.] The Acct. brot. up	£257	10	4
Paid in the Cause with Cummings at the Supream Juditial Court a Cambridge	13	10	9

Paid Mr Phinehas Hager in ful of a Note	1	4	0
Paid mr Uriah Gregory in ful of a Note	2	9	2
Paid John Biglow in full for three months Service west Point	16	10	0
paid Peter Cary in full for Ditto	13	15	1
paid Samll. Lamson jur in full for Ditto	16	10	0
Paid Jedn. Bemis in full for Ditto	1	6	0
Paid Daniel Ward in part for Ditto	14	0	3½
Paid Daniel Biles in part for Ditto	10	14	0
Paid Thads. Pierce in part for Ditto	6	6	0
Paid my Self the Ballence Due last Adjustment . .	61	3	1¾
Paid my Self the Interest Due on the Same . . .	3	13	4
Paid mr Bezaleel Flagg for Attendance as Evidence in the Cause with Cummings	1	4	0
	£419	16	1¼

Reced. of the Several Collectors &c as followeth: viz —	£	S	D
Recd. of Mr. Jonas Pierce late Constable in part . .	58	17	11
Recd of Mr. Josiah Biglow late Constable in full for the year 1781	36	7	6
Recd of Mr. Josiah Seaverns late Constable in full .	54	8	1
Recd of Mr Benja. Dudley late Constable in part . .	41	3	10
Recd of Mr. Jonas Sanderson Present Constable in part	61	1	7
Recd of Mr. Josiah Biglow present Constable in part .	69	15	2
Recd by new Emmession money on hand the last Adjustment 40 Dollars equal to	3	0	0
Recd for mr. Leadbetters Conducting Eight men to Springfield	3	0	0
	£327	14	1

	£	S	D
[239.] The Account brot. over	327	14	1
Recd by Cummings Bill of Cost	11	6	8
	£339	0	9

The Committee Appointed to examin the foregoing accounts having Diligently attended that Service, find them well vouched and right cast —

And there is Due to Isaac Hobbs war Treasurer . .	80	17	4
and there remains in the hands of Mr. Jonas Pierce late Constable	56	9	1
and there remains in the Hands of Mr Benja. Dudley late Constable	19	1	0½

and in the Hands of mr Jonas Sanderson Present Constable	150	13	7
and in the hands of mr Josiah Biglow present Constable	118	9	8
	£344	13	4½

ELISHA HARRINGTON
URIAH GREGORY } Committee

[240.] 2. Voted that thier Swine Should go at Large the Year ensewing —

3d. Voted to grant one Hundred Pounds to worked out at four Pence Pr. Hour for the Purpose of repairing the highways

4th. Voted to accept of a list Prepared for the Juror Box —

5th. Voted to grant Five Hundred Pounds to Pay the Charges that have arisen for the Support of the war —

6th Voted that all moneys heretofore granted for the Support of the war be Paid in to the Town Treasury

7 Voted to allow the Town Creditors accounts as exhibeted which are as follow viz —

To Deacon Samll. Fisk for his Services as Treasurer . .	6	0	0
To Deacon Isaac Hobbs for Ditto	6	0	0
To Mr. Elisha Harrington for Time expended in Defending the Cause with Cummings	9	0	0
To Deacon Isaac Hobbs for Ditto	5	2	0
To Captt. John Flagg for his Service as a Committee Relative to the Pews Paid mr Bridge 6/	0	18	0
Voted to allow the following Collectors three Pence pr. pound for Collecting Certain Taxes			
Viz To mr Jonas Peirce for Collecting a State Tax old Currancy Silver Ditto & return of the Class . .	4	0	4
To Mr Josiah Severns for Collecting four Taxes warning Six Town meetings & Constables Sallery . . .	11	6	0
To Mr Josiah Biglow for Collecting four Taxes 174/ Counterfeet Certificate 36/ Warning 6 Meetings 18/ Trasporting a Negro: 24/ Serving Constable — 12/ . .	13	4	0

	£	S	D
[241.] Voted to Allow mr Benja. Dudley three Pence upon the Pound for Collecting Several Taxes the Equivelent to those that mr Peirce Charged for — amounting in the whole to	3	18	0
To mr. Joseph Roberts for making Sundrie Taxes &c .	4	2	6
To mr. Abijah Steadman for Ditto	4	10	0
To mr. Nathan Hobbs for Ditto	4	1	4

m^r Josiah Steadman and Mr Uriah Gregory were Chosen Collectors of Taxes to have four pence p^r Pound for Collecting and to give Bonds for the faithful Performance of their Trust

SAM^LL FISK Moderator

At a Legall Meeting of the Inhabitants of Weston on Monday the Seventh Day of April 1783 at the Publick Meeting House in Said Town a 2 o,clock P. M.

1 To bring in thier Votes for a Governor of this Commonwealth —

2^d To bring in their votes for a Lieu^t. Governor —

3^d To bring in thier Votes for five Senators agreeable to the Constitution of this Commonwealth —

for Governor	his Exelency JOHN HANCOCK ESQ^R. had	48	Votes
	JAMES BORDWAIN ESQ^R. Had	7	

Lieu^t. Governor. THO^S. CUSHING ESQ^R. had 50 Votes

[242.]

for Senators and Counselors	COL^O. BRIDGE had	59	Votes
	JOSIAH STONE ESQR	45	
	JAMES PRESCOTT ESQ^R	45	
	ELEAZER BROOKS ESQ^R	45	
	ABR^M. FULLER ESQ^R.	44	
	JOSEPH CURTIS ESQ^R	16	
	DOCTOR KNEELAND	14	
	M^R W^M. WILLARD WHEELER	15	
	MR JOSEPH ROBBERTS	15	
	JON^A DIX ESQ^R.	1	

The Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified to to Vote in the Choice of a Representative According to the Constitution of this Common-wealth, being Legally warned and Assembled at the Publick meeting House on Monday at two o,Clock PM: being the Twelveth Day May 1783 —

Did then and There elect and Depute DEACON SAM^LL FISK to Represent the Town in the general Court of this Commonwealth next ensewing —

At a Meeting of the freeholders and Other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duly Quallified and Legally Warned in Publick Town meeting Assembled on Monday the 7th Day of July 1783 at three of the Clock in the afternoon at the Publick meeting House in Said Town Then & there

1 To Know the minds of the Town whether they will renew thier call to mr Samuel Kendal to Settle in this Town in the Ministrey of the Gospel, or act any thing Relative to the Matter —

2 To make such Further grants as Shall appear to be reasonable and Nessessary to Accomplish the Settlement of the Gospel Ministery in this place, or act any thing that in any wise relates thereunto —

[243.] The Inhabitants being Assembled, and after some Conversation had, Relating to that for which they came togeather, it was Proposed to Adjourn the Meeting — and the Meeting was Accordingly Adjourned unto the 28th. Day of July Instant at four of the Clock P.M: —

28th. July 1783 meet According to Adjournment

1st. Voted to renew the call to mr. Samll. Kendall to Settle with us in the Ministrey of the Gospel

2 Voted that the Matter Should be Determined by Yeas and Nays, and there was fifty-five Yeas and fourteen Nays

3 Voted to grant Fifty Pounds in addition to what hath been heretofore granted as a Settlement for Mr. Samll. Kendal amounting in the whole to Two Hundred and fifty Pounds —

4 Voted that with respect to Sallery & firewood they be the Same as heretofore granted. Viz: Eighty Pounds and fifteen Coards of firewood annually —

5 Voted that the Committee of the Church be Requested to Inform Mr Samll. Kendall of the Proceedings of the Town —

The Meeting was then Adjourned to the eleventh Day of Augt. next at 4 o,Clock P. M: —

11th Day of augt. 1783 Meet According to Adjournment

1st. Voted that Deacon Thos. Russell, Samll. P. Savage Esqr, Mr Jona. Stratton Deacon Isaac Hobbs and Deacon Samll Fisk be a Committee to wait upon Mr. Samll Kendall and Inform him that the Town are now ready to recive his Answer —

[244.] The Meeting was Then Adjourned for fifteen minuts —

Meet according to Adjournment — and m^r. Kendal came in to meeting and exhibitid his Answere which is as followeth viz —

My Christian Friends

You having given me a call to Settle with You in the Gospel Ministry, may justly expect that I should consider it in a religious view, and give such an answere as may Appear to me to be Consistant with my Duty — my Answer is Important to both you and myself, and to Heaven have I looked for Direction, and have earnestly desired to know wherein my Duty consisted, with a Disposition to conduct accordingly: I have likewise used the Ordinary means for Obtaining Direction, by Consulting many Friends, whose Advice ought, in such cases, to be taken and well considered,— The first thing to be Attended in the call is the Uninimity of the People, this is not so great as I could wish, Several whose Friendship would afford me peculiar Satisfaction, are opposed to my Settlement, But, having conversed with the Majority of them, I find that thier objections are mostly founded upon Missinformations and wrong Apprehentions, with respect to those things to which they Object. and considering tis not probable the Town will be better united in the choice of another, I can by no means Suppose it to be my Duty to give a Negative Answer, because some worthy men have not given thier votes in favour of me, But I am Sorry to Say, that the measures Taken by some Among the Nays, do, in some Degree lay me under a Nessessety to Accept your call,— and were there nothing farther to be considered my answer would be Affirmative, But it is no less a ministers Duty to Exercise Prudence about those things that lend to his Comfort and Support, while he is engaged in his ministry, than it is for any Denomination of men to Provide for the Comfort of themselves and Families — [245.] and as the Sallery Proposed is thought by all my Advisers, and by myself, Insufficient for the Support of a Minister, and as the wood offered will not, in my Opinion, and the Opinion of those who judge from Experience be Sufficient to maintain the fires that are Nessessary in a Family I

must Decline Accepting your Invitation upon the Terms offered, your Offers to being less than, for years past you found Nessessary to the Support of your late worthy Pastor, you can hardly Suppose, that I should be willing to accept the call under the present Circumstances, I do not wish to Burden the People more than to enable me to do my Duty among them. Nor would I Dispute the generosity of this People more than that of any others but those that better know than I do what is Nessessary to Support a Family, do say that what you Offer is not Sufficient, and therefore you will receive this as a *Negative* Answer, unless such Alterations with respect to my Support, be made as may render it expedient for me to accept your Inviation, this Answer wou^d^. have been given some months ago, had it not been for the Encouragement given me, that the Offer would be made better at the renewall of my call, so that you will not blame me for keeping you so long in Suspence — I am with Love and Respect your

Sincere Friend and well wisher —

SAM^LL^ KENDALL

To the Church and Congregation of Weston

The Town then having M^r^. Kendalls Answer before them and duly Considering the Same

[246.] Voted to grant the Sum of Ten Pounds in Addition to the Eighty Pounds heretofore granted and also five coards of fire wood in Addition to the fifteen Coards granted before, which makes in the whole Ninty Pounds money — and Twenty Coards of firewood, to be payed and Delivered to M^r^. Samuel Kendall Annually so long as he shall remain our Gospel Minister —

Whereupon M^r^. Kendall gave his answer in the affirmative, and relinquished the Ten Pounds and the five Coards of fire wood for three years next Succeeding his Ordination — upon which the Town Voted him thier Sincere thanks —

Mr Kendalls final Answer is as followeth Viz:

My Christian Fathers, Brothers and Friends

as you have been so generous as to make an Addition of Ten Pounds and five Coards of wood annually to what you Proposed

when you gave me a call to Settle with you, I do Cordially Accept your Invitation: and as the Times are Peculiarly Difficult by reason of very heavy Taxes, I do freely give up what you have now Added for three years, so that untill after the three years are expired, I shall expect to recive no more than Eighty Pounds and fifteen Cords of wood Annually — I Subscribe my self your

Sincere Friend and well wisher

WESTON Augt. 11 1783 SAM^{L}: KENDALL

To the Church and Congregation of Weston

[247.] The Meeting was Then Adjourned to the eighth Day of Sepr. next at 2 o,Clock P M: —

8th Day of Sepr. 1783 meet According to Adjournment

1st The Question being put to know the minds of the Town whether will Appoint a Day for the Ordaination of m^{r}. Saml. Kendall — and Passed in the Affirmative

2^{d}. Voted that Wednesday the fifth Day of November Next be the Day for the Ordination of Mr Saml. Kendall —

3 Voted that the Meathod of Procuring Money for to Defray the expencs of the Ordaination be by way of Collection, and that those that Shall Advance money for Said Purpose Shall be Allowed the same in the next Assesment that shall be made

4th Voted that Major Sam^{ll}. Lamson Enoch Greenleaf Esqr and Deacon Saml. Fisk be a Committee to Provide for the Venerable Councel —

5 Voted that the Committee be Directed to apply to Madam Woodward to entertain the Councel &c

6 Voted that the Committee be Directed to Provide Some Sutiable Persons to keep the Body Seats emty for the Councel & Church —

7 Voted that Deacon Thos. Russell be Desired to give Publick Invitation to the Clergy to accept of Entertainment with the Venerable Councel —

The meeting was then Dissolved

SAM^{L}. FISK Moderator

[248.] WESTON Augt. 11th. 1783 we the Subscribers Concieving that the Proceeding of this Town of Weston in this Present Meeting has Been Illegal and Unconstitutinal in Calling granting Settlement money & Sallery to Mr Sam^{ll}. Kendall in Setleing among us in this Place in the Gospel Ministrey we hereby do Declare our Protest against the Said Proceedings and we Desire that this our Protest might be of Publick Record in this Town — and we Plead the Advantage of the Bill of Rights in that Case Provided —

JOSEPH HARRINGTON
HEZEKIAH WYMAN
SAM^{LL}. SEAVERNS JUR
MOSES HARRINGTON
JOSEPH ROBERTS
ISAAC JONES
SAMUEL TRAIN
JONAS HARRINGTON
ELISHA HARRINGTON
JOHN FLAGG
WILLIAM CUTLER

Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston at the Publick meeting-House in Said Town on Monday the 13th Day of Oct^{r} : 1783 at one o,Clock P M : then & there —

1st. To know the minds of the Town whether they will grant the Sum of Eighty Pounds to be Paid to m^{r} Sam^{ll}. Kendall as his Sallery for one Year Next Succeeding his Ordination in Case he Should be Ordained amongst us, or otherwise to be applied for the Support of the Gospel Ministrey in this Place —

2^{d} To make provision for the fire-wood granted to m^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Kendall in the case above mentioned —

3^{d} To know the minds of the Town whether they will Provide two months Schooling in Different parts of the Town as Usal, or act any thing relative to the Matter —

[249.] 4th To grant Money to Support the Poor Provide Schooling and all other Nessessary Charges —

5th To hear the Town Creditors Accounts and Act thereon

6th To know the minds of the Town what Measures they will Pursue effectually to call in the out Standing Taxes that thier Treasurer may be enabled to Discharge the Debts of the Town without further loss —

7th To know the minds of the Town whether They will dispose of the Pews that now belong to the Town, and in what manner, or act any thing relative thereto

8th. To know the minds of the Town whether they will build four Pews in the back part of the body-Seats and Dispose of them as they Shall think Proper or act any Thing relative to the Matter —

9th To know the minds of the Town whether they will be at the expence of the Executions already Issued against Mr Josiah Biglow and mr Jonas Sanderson late Constables from the State Treasurers —

10th. To hear the Petition of Capt. Isaac Jones and Others relative to Hanging the Bell or act any thing that relates thereto

Deacon Samll Fisk *was Chosen Moderator of Sd. Meeting*

1d Voted to pass over the first and Second Articles in the Warrent for the present —

2 Voted to Provide Two months Schooling in the Different parts of the Town as Usal —

3d Voted to grant the Sum of Two Hundred Pounds to Defray the Common Charges of the Town

[250.] 4th Voted to alow the Assessors Accounts as Exhbited which are as followeth viz.

To Mr Joseph Roberts for his Service in Taking Invoice and making Sundry Taxes Twelve Days a 4/	£2	8	0
To Mr Abijah Steadman for like Services	2	8	0
To mr Nathan Hobbs for Ditto	2	8	0

5th Voted that the Treasurer be Directed to Issue Execution against those Collectors that were Chosen in the Year 1781 that are Deliquint, and all Other Preceeding Collectors that have not Settled with the Treasurer —

6th. Voted that execution Shall Issue against the Collectors that were chosen in the year 1782 if they do not Settle with the Treasurer by the first Day of Febry. Next —

7th. Voted to Take Possession of the Pewes that are Occupied by Deacons Fisk and Hobbs, Capt. Fisk. Mrs. Rebecca Baldwin mr John Coburn and Capt. Nathan Smith —

8 Voted to Build four Pews in back part of the body Seats

9th. Voted on the request of Severall of the Collectors that the Town will be at the Legal expence of the Execution, already Issued against any or either of them —

10th Voted that this meeting be Adjourned to Monday the Seventeenth Day of November Next a 2 o,Clock P M:

Meet According to Adjournment —

1 Voted to Proceed to act upon the first Article in the Warrent —

2d. Voted to grant the Sum of Eighty Pounds to be Payed to the Revd Mr Samll. Kendall as his Sallery for one year Next Succeeding his Ordaination —

[251.] 3d Voted that Majr Lamson Mr Thos Rand and Mr. Jona. Stratton be a Committee to Provide the Revd Mr Samel. Kendall his fire-wood the year ensewing

4th Voted that the Pew that the Revd Mr. Samll. Kendall shall choose out of the Pews that now belong to the Town or that are Ordered soon to be built Shall be Appropriated for a Ministeral Pew — and that the remaining Pews be Sold to the highest bidder

5th Voted that the monies arising by the Sale of Said Pews Shall be appropriated towards paying the Settlement money granted the Revd Mr Samll Kendall —

6th. Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee for Building the Pews and give Orders for the Payment thereof —

7th On the Pitition of Capt. Jones and Others relative to hanging the Bell — Voted that Said Petition be Committed to Mrss Thads Spring Jonas Harrington Isaac Hobbs Thos. Rand and John Warren, and that they be Directed to report thereon at the next Annual March Meeting —

The Meeting was then Disolved —

1784.

Att a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston that were Duly Quallified and Legally warned and at the Publick meeting-House Assembled on Monday the first Day of March 1784 at Eleven o,Clock A. M: then and there —

1st. To choose Selectmen, Collectors and Such Other Town Officers for the year Insewing as the Law Directs —

[252.] 2d To know the minds of the Town what they will give thier Collectors Pr. lb. for Collecting Taxes —

3d To hear the Town Treasurers Acts. and act thereon —

4 To know the minds of the Town whether thier Swine shall go at Large the year ensewing —

5th To know the minds of the Town whether they will repair thier high-ways by a rate the year ensewing, and if so to grant money therefor — and act any other matter or thing relative thereto —

6th. To hear and act upon a list Prepared for the Jury Box —

7th To hear the Town Creditors Accounts and Act thereon

8th. To grant money to Pay the Revd Mr Samuel Kendall his Settlement and firewood and to pay the expence of Providing for the venerable Council —

9 To hear the request of mr Oliver Hastings and Others relative to the Pews in the Meeting-House and other Matters respecting the Baptist Denomination and act thereon —

10th. To hear the request of Severall of the Collectors and Others relative to the Abatement of Sundry Taxes and act thereon — or Act any thing relative to the Matter

11th. To hear the request of mr. John Warren and Others relative to Sundry Persons being left out of the late Tax for the Support of the Gospel and act thereon —

12th To hear the request of Capt. Isaac Jones and Others relative to Providing a Book for thier Treasurer — and also for the Selectmen, and likewise respecting thier Treasurer his making up his Accounts twice in a year and act thereon —

[253.] Capt Isaac Jones *chosen moderator*

Town Clerk	Isaac Hobbs	Sworn
Town Treasurer	Majr. Samll Lamson	Sworn

Selectmen
- Capt Isaac Jones
- Dean Samll Fisk
- Majr Samll Lamson
- Capt Jona : Fisk
- Mr Samll Livermore

Constables & Collectors	Mr Isaac Flagg Mr. Samll Livermore	Sworn
Assessors	Mr Nathan Hobbs Captn Isaac Jones Mr John Coburn	Sworn
Wardens	Mr Joel Smith Captn Matthew Hobbs Mr Jona. Spring	Sworn
Surveyors of High ways & Collectors	Mrss. Abrm. Hewes Samll. Pratt Isreal Whittemore Elisha Stratton Increase Leadbetter	Sworn (exceptd (Mr Whittemore
Tythingmen	Mr Elisha Stratton Mr Abrm Harrington	Sworn
Hogreaves	Mr Joseph Robberts Mr Hizekiah Wyman	Sworn
Preserver of Deer	Mr Amos Biglow Mr Isaac Stratton	Sworn
[254.] Field Drivers	Mr. Isaac Stratton Mr Amos Biglow	Sworn
Fence Viewers	Mr Isaac Flagg Mr Phinehas Upham	Sworn
Sealers of Leather	Mr Jonas Sanderson Mr Nathan Hager	Sworn
Surveyors of Lumber	Mr Elisha Harrington Mr Joseph Russell Mr Josiah Steadman	Sworn
Clerks of the Market	Captn. Isaac Jones Mr Joseph Russell Mr Samll Seaverns	Sworn
to take care of the meeting-House	Mr Ezra Fisk at thirty Shillings Pr. Annum	

The Meeting was then Adjourned to Monday the 8th. Day of this Instant March at one o,Clock P:-M:

Monday one o,clock P:M: meet according to Adjournment

2d Voted to give thier Collectors viz Mr. Isaac Flagg & Mr Samll. Livermore five pence half-Peney Pr. Pound for Collecting all Taxes that they Shall Collect —

3d. Voted to Accept the Town Treasurers Accounts as Exhibeted — which are as followeth Viz: —

The Town of Weston to Isaac Hobbs as Town Treasurer Dr. from the 15th. of March 1783 to 26th Feby 1784 Inclusive — Viz —

	£	S	D
[255.] Paid mr Eleazer Rider in full of a Note of hand	42	16	0
Paid Ruth Parmenter in full of a Note of hand	12	0	0
Paid Mr Elisha Warren in part of Ditto	1	8	6
Paid Mr Stephen White in part of Ditto	4	9	8
Paid Enoch Greenleaf Esqr. two year Interest	12	19	6
Paid Mr. Ephm. Hammond in part of Ditto	24	0	0
Paid Capt. Jona. Fisk in part of Ditto	8	6	4
Paid Mr. Ruth Walker in part of Ditto	9	9	5
Paid mr Jona Fisk of Waltham in part of Ditto	2	0	0
Paid the Estate of the late Revd. Mr Samll Woodward for 15 1/2 Cords of wood	12	8	0
Paid the Committee for Building the School-House in the center District	50	0	0
Paid mr Joseph Hawes for Boarding Nathll. Dewing untill the first of Aprill 1783	8	10	0
Paid Mr. Jonas Harrington for 467 feet of Plank for the great-bridge	8	3	10
Paid Mr Isreal Whittemore in full for Ditto	1	18	0
Paid Mr Nathan Hobbs in full for Ditto	1	12	0
Paid Mr Isreal Whittemore an Account for Boarding Capt. John Brown	4	10	0
Paid Peter Ball in full of an execution Thos. Willington against the Town	42	10	0
Paid the Expence of refrence at Brewers	2	16	9
Paid mr Elisha Harrington to Defend in the cause with Cummings & Willington	4	13	0
Paid Thadds. Goodwin in full for Attendance and evidence in Said Cause	0	12	0
Paid Wm. Fisk Attorney to Ephm Hammond to be Discounted upon an Execution	4	8	0
Paid Peter Ball his fees on Sd. Execution	1	16	0

Paid Wm. Hunt Esqr Cost fees and Charges on an Action Stephen white against the Town	1	2	0
[256[1].] Paid mr Morton in the cause with Cummings,	2	8	0
Paid the Refferees in Said cause	1	2	6
Paid the expence of the Referees & Committee . .	2	17	1
Paid mr Joseph Lovwell in part for Boarding the widow Deberah Smith	1	18	0
Paid mr Abijah Steadman what the Town Allowed him for Making Sundry Taxes	4	0	10
Paid mr Wm. Cutler for his wifes keeping School from the first of July 1783 Two months	4	10	0
Paid Master Fisk for keeping School two months and Boarding him Self (NE School House) . . .	4	10	0
Paid mr. Isreal Whittemore for his Sons Service at Rhode Island	6	12	0
Paid Majr Hale in full for Daniel Wards Service in the Army	2	9	8½
Paid Thad Pierce in full for three Months at West point .	4	10	0
Paid mr Elnathan Jones agent to the Estate of Charles Russell late of Lincoln the Ballence Due from Sd Estate	0	8	6
Paid mr Daniel Sanderson in full of a Note . . .	41	11	0
Paid Joshua Pierce for one Cord of wood . . .	0	16	
Paid Abigail Starr for Boarding master Wright nine weeks in 1777 & 1778	4	1	0
Paid mr Oliver Hastings for Boarding master Mudge four weeks	1	16	0
Paid mr. John Hastings for Boarding the widow Deborah Smith thirty nine weeks & a Pair of hose . .	6	1	0
Paid Master Nathll. Allen for Keeping School eight weeks & Boarding him Self	8	16	0
Paid Capt. John Flagg for Boarding Lois Pierce Seventeen weeks & three Days 65/	3	5	0
Paid Amos Jones for Boarding Lois Pierce twenty one weeks — and one Pair of hose	4	10	0
Paid Jonas Pierce for wod for the School . . .	0	6	0
Paid Majr. Samll Lamson for Service for the Town for Procuring Beef for the Army in 1782 . . .	0	15	0
[257[1].] Paid Master Thadc. Fisk for keeping School one month and Boarding him Self	4	9	0
Paid mr Elisha Harrington for Plank for the great Bridge	2	9	0
Paid Deacon Samll Fisk for Boarding Thos. Peirce Six months from Febry. 1783	7	16	0
Paid Mr Thads. Spring for Plank and Timber for the Town Bridges	3	17	6

Paid mr. Joseph Mudge for keeping-School two Months in South-west District	6	16	6
Paid mr Samll. Train for Two Cords of wood for the South-west-School	1	12	0
Paid Doctr Wm. Ward for Visits and medicines Administred to the Poor of the Town from the 29th Febry. 1780 to 18th Sepr. 1783	10	3	6
Paid mr Abrm. Biglow in full for keeping School and Boarding him Self	19	10	0
Paid Mr Thads. Spring for Boarding Master Taft Nine weeks and three Cords of wood	8	4	0
Paid Mr Thos. Rand for wood for the School & for a Bier	3	2	0
Paid Mr. Uriah Gregory for Boarding Master Rimington four weeks march 1783 and Sundries Suplied the widow Wellington	6	3	5
Paid Mr. Phinehas Hager for his Sister keeping-School Ten weeks in NW School	4	10	0
Paid Capt Jona Fisk for Boarding Master Thads Fisk eight weeks a 9/	3	12	0
Paid Mr Nathan Hager for Hay & Potatoes for Mrs. Wellington	4	2	0
Paid Mr Isaac Warren for keeping School two months in the South-east School house	5	8	0
[258[1].] Paid mrs. Abigail Starr for Boarding Master Isaac Warren two months	4	1	0
Paid mrs. Rebecca Baldwin for Boarding Master Remington Nine weeks in 1783	4	1	0
Paid Mr Joseph Hawes for Boarding Nathll. Dewing Six months in 1783	9	2	0
Paid Master Eleazer Taft in part for keeping the Grammer School in the South East District . . .	1	0	0
Paid Master John Remington for keeping School three months	9	18	0
Paid Mr Joseph Roberts his Acct. in full for making sundry Taxes to Octr. 13th. 1783	6	10	6
Paid Mr Nathan Hobbs for Ditto untill Ditto . . .	10	1	4
Paid Mr Abijah Steadman for Making Sundry Taxes in the year 1783	2	8	0
Paid Mr. John Flagg wt. the Town granted him for Services as a Committee march 1783	0	18	0
Paid Mr. Benja. Dudley for Collecting sundry Taxes agreeable to a grant of the Town	3	18	0
Paid Mr Joseph Russell agreeable to a vote of the Town March 1782 in the Capacity of an Assessor . .	2	17	6
Paid Mr Elisha Harrington for his Services in the cause with Cummings as Allowed by the Town . .	9	0	0

Paid Mr Jonas Pierce for Collecting Sundry Taxes agreeable to a vote of the Town March 15 1783 .	4	0	4
Paid Mr Josiah Seaverns (agreeable to a vote of the Town) for Loss sustained in Receving new emmision mone Value and Passing the same at another Value	6	18	0
Paid Mr Uriah Gregory for making Taxes in 1781 — agreeable to a Vote of the Town	3	17	0
Paid Mr Jonas Pierce in full of a Note of hand . .	4	10	0
[259l.] Paid the Hiers of Mr Jona Bullard in full of a Note	90	6	8
Paid Deacon Fisk Interest up a Note of hand . .	10	16	0
Paid Deacon Fisk Interest upon a Note of hand made to Noah Parkhurst	3	12	0
Paid Seven of the Six months men for the year 1780 thier State wages	72	1	4
Paid Madam Woodward in part of the Town grant to her family	46	17	10
Paid the Revd. Mr. Samuel Kendal for Supplying the Desk	18	3	0
Paid Mr Nathan Davis in full for Preaching nine Sabbaths	13	6	0
Paid Mr Joseph Willard in part for Preaching . .	3	0	0
Paid mr Bentley for Supplying the Desk 4 Sabbaths .	7	4	0
Paid mr Piper in part for Preaching	1	0	0
Paid my Self my Acct. in full for Sundry Articles Supplyed the Poor for Boards Shingle & nails and and Sundrie other articles as Allowed by ye Selectmen .	15	4	2
Paid my Self what the Town granted me march 1783 for my Services as Treasurer	6	0	0
Paid my Self wt. the Town granted me as a Committee in the cause with Cummings	5	2	0
Paid my Self the Ballence Due the Last adjustment .	80	17	4
Paid my Self the Interest Due on the Same . . .	4	17	0
Paid by an Assignment in Constable Sanderson lists .	11	16	0
Paid mr Joseph Hawes his Acct in full for Boarding Nathll. Dewing and for the funeral charges of Sd Dewing	4	0	0
Paid Mr Elisha Harrington in full for money he had expended in the cause with Cummings more than he had Taken out of the Treasury	3	18	0
Paid mr Benja. Peirce in full of a Note	12	17	10
Paid at the two first Collections for ye Support of Preaching	0	18	0
Paid Mr. Jonas Viles on a Note of hand . . .	1	4	0
Total	£957	9	4

[256².] The Town of Weston to Isaac Hobbs as Town Treasurer Cr

	£	S	D
Recedᵈ of Mʳ Jonas Pierce late Constable in part . .	31	9	8
Recedᵈ of Mʳ Benjᵃ. Dudley late Constable in part . .	6	5	5
Recedᵈ of Mʳ Josiah Biglow late Constable in part . .	130	11	6
Recᵈ of Mʳ Jonas Sanderson late Constable in part .	237	19	1
Recedᵈ of Mʳ Josiah Steadman Present Constable in part	120	16	9
Recᵈ of mʳ Uriah Gregory present Constable in part .	101	4	4
Recedᵈ of the State Treasurer by the hands of Deacon Fisk to pay the Six months men for the year 1780 .	123	8	0
Recedᵈ of Deacon Fisk (guardian to the hiers of Jonᵃ. Bullard Decᵈ.) for the use of the Town and made a Note to Said Fisk for the same	54	14	5
Recedᵈ for the rent of work House	4	10	0
Recᵈ for the rent of the Pew Occupied by Deacon Fisk and Hobbs	1	16	0
Recᵈ of the Agent to walter Pierce Deceased . . .	3	18	0
Recedᵈ by four Collections made for the Support of Preaching	40	16	4
	857	9	6

we the Subscribers haveing examined the foregoing Accounts find them well Vouched & right cast and there is Due to Isaac Hobbs Town Treasurer the Sum of Ninty-Nine Pounds nineteen Shillings & Ten Pence

	£	S	D
	99	19	10
and there remains in the hands of Mʳ Jonas Pierce late Constable	24	19	5
and there remains in the hands of mʳ. Benjᵃ. Dudley late Constable	12	15	7
and in the hands of Jonas Sanderson late Constable .	163	15	5
and in the Hands of mʳ Josiah Biglow late Constable .	182	3	5
and in the hands of mʳ Josiah Steadman present Constable	295	1	8
and in the Hands of mʳ Uriah Gregory present Constable	262	17	3
Total	£941	12	9½

SAMᴸᴸ. FISK
SAMᴸᴸ LAMSON
THADˢ. SPRING
JONᴬ. FISK
} Selectmen

[57².] 4ᵗʰ. Voted that thier swine shall go at large the Year ensuing —

5th Voted to grant One Hundred and fifty Pounds to be worked out upon the roads and Town-ways at Six pence pr. hour for man or Team —

6th Voted to Accept of the list prepared for the Jury box

7th Voted to allow the Town Creditors Accounts as followeth

Viz. To Mr Elisha Harrington his acct. in full for Time expend in the cause with Willington Since March 1783 Two Pounds Seventeen Shillings £2 17 0

and likewise to allow Dean. Isaac Hobbs for his Service as Treasurer the year Past the Sum of Six pounds . £6 0 0

and also to allow mr Jonas Sanderson the Sum of four pence pr pound for Collecting all Taxes Committeed to him to Collect — deducting five pounds out of the whole —

8th. Voted that the granted Sum of two Hundred and fifty pounds be Immediatly Assessed to pay the Revd Mr Samel Kendall his Settlement — and likewise the sum of Twenty six Pounds six Shillings and five pence being the expence of Providing for the Venerable Council and also the Sum of Twelve pounds it being the expence of providing the Revd Mr Kendalls fire wood for the first year —

9th. Voted to abate all the Taxes in Constable Dudleys lists that were Left to Wm. Broadrid who is Absconded —

[258².] 10th. On the Petition of Mr Oliver Hastings and Others Voted that the expence of Building the four Pewes that are Ordered to be built — and likewise the expenc of all others that come in to the Towns hands Shall be defrayed by Sale or rent of Said Pewes — and also on Sd. petition Voted that Colo. Marshall Capt. Jones and Mr. Jona. Stratton be a Committee to examin into the grievances that the Baptist Denomination have therein Sett forth and to endeavor a redress of the Same

11th. On the petition of Mr John Warren and Others relative to Sundry persons being left out of a late Tax Voted that Said petition be refered to the above Committee with the Addition of Mr. Samll. Livermore and Mr Joseph Russell who are diligently to enquire into the same and inform themselves of the Legallity or Illegallity of thier being so left out of Said Tax and report to the Town at the Annuall Meeting in April next —

12th. On the petition of Capt. Jones and Others voted that thier be Books Provided for the Treasurer and that for the futer The Treasurers Accounts shall be kept Seperate from Other records of the Town — and also that the Selectmen provide a Book and Keep an Account of thier Contracts Order &c &c — and that the Treasurer be and he hereby is directed to Prepare his Accounts to be exhibited at the annual fall Meeting and likewise at the Annual Meeting in March and So from Year to Year

The Meeting was then disolved

[259².] At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on Monday the fifth Day of Apr^l. 1784 at 2 O'Clock P. M:

1 first to bring in thier Votes for a Governor of this Common-wealth —

2d. To bring in thier votes for Lieut Governor —

3d. To bring in thier votes five Senators Agreeably to the Constitution —

Governor	His Exelency JOHN HANCOCK	39	Votes
	JAMES BORDWAIN ESQR.	4	
	GENERAL LINCOLN	8	
Lt. Governor	THOS. CUSHING ESQR.	34	Votes
	CAPT ISAAC JONES	2	
	COLO AZOR ORNE	1	
Senators	COLO. BRIDGE had	57	
	ELEAZOR BROOKS ESQR.	38	
	JOSIAH STONE ESQR.	38	
	JAMES PRESCOTT ESQR.	51	
	SAMLL. P. SAVAGE ESQR.	34	
	JOSEPH CURTIS ESQR.	25	
	MR. THOS. PARKER	17	
	MR. JOSEPH ROBERTS	16	
	EPHM. WOOD ESQR.	4	
	JOHN CUMMINGS ESQR.	4	

[260.] At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on Monday the fifth Day of April 1784 at four O,Clock P. M: —

1 To hear the report of the Committee Appointed to examin in to the grievances of the Baptist Denomination as Sett forth in the Petition of Oliver Hastings & others and Act thereon —

2 To here the report of the Committee to whow the Petition of Mr John Warren and Others were Committed relative to Sundrie Persons being left out of a late Tax and act thereon

CAPT ISAAC JONES *chosen Moderator*

1 Voted to Accept the report of the Committee with respect to the Petition of Oliver Hastings and Others which is as followeth — Viz —

We agree that the persons who were exempted from paying the Ministers Tax for the Year 1780 be Allowed what they paid Said year Toward the Ministers fire-wood whose Names are as followeth viz Oliver Hastings, Enoch Bartlett, Jonathan Spring, James Hastings, Thaddeus Spring, Josiah Seaverns, Samuel Pratt, James Stimson jur., Mary Bullard, Samll. Train jur. Joseph Seaverns and John Hastings jur — and we advise that the present Assessors be Directed to Assertain thier respective Sums

THOS. MARSHALL
ISAAC JONES
JONA STRATTON } Committee
SAMLL LIVERMORE
JOSEPH RUSSELL

[261.] 2d On the petition of Mr. John Warren & Others Voted to accept the report of the Committee to whom sd. petition was refered — which is as followeth Viz that the Tax Refered to in Sd petition is unconstitutionally and Illegally Assessed —

3d. Voted that Colo. Marshall Enoch Greenleaf Esqr. and Mr Joseph Russell, be a Committee with Directions to take Advice and pursue the Properest Measurers with respect to Assessment refered to above —

The Meeting was then Adjourned to Monday ye Ninteenth day of this Instant April a 4 o,Clock P : M :

— Meet according to Adjournment —

1st. Voted to accept the report of the Committee which is as followeth viz —

That the Legal way of redress is to Direct the present Assessors to Assess those Persons who were left out of Said Tax, thier proportion, in the Tax that is Ordered by the Inhabitants of this Town to be Assessed for the payment of the Revd Mr Samll. Kendals Settlement with the Addition of the Sums which were left out of the Tax afore Said —

2d. Voted that the Selectmen be Desired to enter a Complaint in behalf of the Town, to the Present Assessors, that Mrss. Joseph Roberts [262.] Elisha Harrington, John Flagg, Samll. Seaverns jur., Increas Leadbetter, Benja. Steadman, and Joseph Harrington, were Illegally left out of the Minister Tax lately Assessed, to the Injury and loss of the Other Inhabitants of Said Town, and Request a redress in the next Tax that Shall be Assessed for that purpose

— The Meeting was then Disolved —

The Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Legally Quallified to vote in the choice of a Representative being Duly warned and Assembled at the Publick Meeting House in Said Town on Monday the Tenth day of May 1784

Did then and there elect and depute Capt. Isaac Jones to Represent Said Town in the General Court of this Commonwealth next ensewing —

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on Monday the Tenth Day of May 1784

1st. To know the minds of the Town whether they will grant a Sum of Money to defray the Just Debts of the Town and if so to grant Such a Sum as they Shall think expedient for that Purpose —

2d. To Know the minds of the Town whether they will Joyn with Watertown & Waltham in Petitioning the General Court for Some Assistance in widning the great Bridge in Watertown or act anything relative to the Matter —

3 To know the minds of the Town whether they [263.] will grant the Sum of Forty Pounds to Defray the expenc of Supplying the Desk in this Town previous to the Ordination of the Rev^{d} M^{r}. Samuel Kendall —

4 To know the minds of the Town whether they will dispose of the Pews now in the Towns Hands and in what Manner or act any thing Relative thereto —

CAP^{T} ISAAC JONES *chosen Moderator*

1st Voted that Capt Estes How Sam^{ll} P. Savage Esqr and Mr Jon^{a} Stratton be a Committee to look in to the State of the Treasury and lay before the Town at the Adjournment of this Meeting a list of the Debts of the Town — and what provision there is already made to Discharge the Same —

2^{d} Voted that Capt. Isaac Jones be a Committee to join with Watertown & Waltham in Petitioning the General Court for Some Assistance in widening the Great Bridge in Watertown

3^{d} voted to grant the Sum of Forty pounds to defray the expenc of providing Preaching previous to the Ordination of the Revd Mr Sam^{ll} Kendall

4th. Voted that this meeting be adjourned to Monday the 7th day of June next at three O,Clock P : M :

June 7th 1784 three O,clock P : M : Meet According to Adjournment

[264.] 1st After hearing the report of the Committee appointed to look in to the state of the Treasury —

Voted not to accept of the report of Said Committee

2 Voted to grant the Sum of four Hundred pounds to Defray the just Debts of the Town —

3 Voted that the Pew now Occupied by Deacon Fisks & Deacon Hobbs,s Family,s be Apropriated for a Ministeral Pew that Pew being the Choice of the Revd Mr Sam^{ll}. Kendall —

4 Voted to meet at Capt Isaac Jones,s next Monday a 6 o,clock P. M : In Order to let the Pews now in the Town hands

The Meeting was then Adjourned to the Time & place above mentioned —

— Meet According to Adjournment —

1 Voted that Capt. Fisk and M^{rs}. Rebecca Baldwin Shall Continue to enjoy the Pews they now Occupy the four next Succeeding months they paying Ten Shillings each for the use of the Same —

4 Voted that the Letting the Pews Occupied by Capt Smith and Mr John Coburn be posponed untill a Future Oppertunity

— The Meeting was then Disolved —

[265.] Att a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duly Quallified to vote in Town Affairs being Lawfully warned and Assembled at the Publick Meeting House in Said Town on Monday the 12th. day of July 1784 at 6 O,Clock P : M :

1st. To hear the report of the Committee appointed to apply to the General Court for some Assistance in widning and repairing the great Bridge in Watertown and to Act any thing that shall be thought expedient relative to the Measure Proposed by the General Court for that Purpose —

2^{d}. To hear the Account of Capt. Nathan Smith for Sundry Services done for the Town and act thereon

1st The Committee having reported that the General Court have granted leave for to raise the Sum of one Thousand Pounds by a Lottery for the purpose of widning the great Bridge in Watertown — and having exhibited an Act of the General Court for that Purpose —

2^{d}. Voted that the Town Approve of the Measure Proposed by the Court and Direct thier Manigers to proceed Accordingly

[266.] At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston (duly Quallified to vote in Town Affairs) at the Publick meeting-House in Said Town on Monday the 4th. Day of Octr. 1784 at one O,clock P : M : then & there —

1st. To grant the sum of Eighty Pounds to pay the Rev^{d}. Mr Sam^{ll}. Kendall his Sallery for one Year Immediately Succeeding the fifth day of Novr. Next

2^{d} To Provide fifteen cords of wood for the Revd Mr Kendall Agreeable to our contract with him —

3d To grant such a sum of money as shall appear to be Adequate for the Support of schooling and to defray the Usal & Nessasary charges of Said Town

4th. To know the minds of the Town whether they will Provide two Months Schooling in Different parts of the Town as usal or act any thing relative to the Matter —

5th To hear the Town Treasurers Accounts and act thereon

6 To hear the Town Creditors Acct^s. and act thereon

7 To know the minds of the Town whether they will Direct thier Treasurer to give the Rev^d Mr Samuel Kendall an Obligation Payable in One Year on Interest for the Sum of Two Hundred and fifty Pounds. Said [267.] Sum being due to him by a grant of the Town for his Settlement —

And that the sum already assessed for that purpose be Appropriated for the Payment of the just debts of the Town

8th To hear the Proposals and request of the Managers of the Lottery for widening the great Bridge in Watertown and act thereon —

9th To hear the request of Sundry Collectors & Others relative to the Abatement of Sundrie Taxes & act thereon —

10 To hear a circular Letter Directed to the Selectmen relative to the regulation of Boston Market and act thereon —

11th. To know the Minds of the Town whether they will allow Mr. Josiah Biglow the Same Sum Pr. pound for Collecting Taxes as they allowed Mr. Sanderson — and like wise to know the minds of the Town, whether they will pay Mr. Biglow the Sum for whicb he hath Commenced an Action against the Town or act any thing relative to the Matter —

12th. To know the minds of the Town whether they will Dispose of the Ground on which four Pews have been Ordered to Built — and likewise the Pews that are Now in the Towns Hands or act any thing relative to the Matter —

[268.] Capt Isaac Jones *chosen Moderator*

1st. Voted to grant the Sum of Eighty Pounds to pay the Rev^d Mr. Samll. Kendall his Sallery for one year next Succeeding the fifth day of November 1784 —

2d Voted that Mrss. John Coburn Nathan Hager and Samll.

Livermore be a Committee to Provide fifteen Cords of wood for the Revd Mr Sam^{ll}. Kendall for the year ensewing —

3^{d} Voted to grant the sum of Two Hundred Pounds to To Defray the usal charges of the Town —

4th Voted to grant Two months Schooling in Different parts of the Town as usal —

5th Voted to Allow Mr Jon^{a} Dix his Account as exhibeted — viz allow him forty-two Shillings and Seven Pence for 95 feet of white Oak Plank —

6th Voted that the Town Treasurer be and he is hereby is Directed to give the Rev^{d}. Mr Samuel Kendall an Obligation payable in one year on Interest. on behalf of the Town for the Sum of Two Hundred and fifty Pounds Said Sum being due from the Town by a grant for the Settlement of Said Kendall

7th Voted that the Sum Already granted for that Purpose be Appropriated for the Payment of the Just debts of the Town —

8th Voted by the Town that they will indemnify and save harmless thier Manegers of the Great Bridge Lottery for widening and repairing Said Bridge over Charles [269.] River in Watertown — and that they will take on thier own Risque thier Proportion of the great Bridge Lottery Ticketts that shall be remaining — on hand at the expiration of the Time limited or that may be further granted by the Generall Court and that thier Managers shall be Accountable To the Town for thier Contracts & expenditures of the Monies that may be Raised therefore —

9th. Voted that Mr Jonas Sanderson shall draw out of the Treasury the Sum of Twelve pounds fifteen Shillings and four pence on Acc^{t}. of Oliver Barbers Taxes, to be repaid as soon a they can be Collected —

10th. Voted that Mr Josiah Biglow be Allowed to draw out of the Treasury the Sum of four Pounds Twelve Shillings on Acc^{t}. of Capt. Gages Taxes; yet to be Accountable for the Same as soon as they may be Collected —

11th Voted that M^{rss}. Joseph Nichols & Joseph Russell be a Committee to join with the Committee of other Towns relative to the Regulation of Boston Markett —

12th. Voted that this Meeting be Adjourned to Monday the 18th. day of this Instant October —

1784 Octr. 18th. Mett According to Adjournment

[270.] 1 Voted to abate the following Taxes viz —

		£	S	D
In Mr Josiah Seaverns lists	John Bartlett	1	0	0
In Mr Uriah Gregory lists	Nathan Smith	1	13	8
	Wm. Little-John	0	16	1
In Mr Jonas Sandersons list	Josiah Underwood	0	10	4
	—— Lyons	0	10	4
	—— Billings	0	12	6
In Mr Josiah Steadmans list	Silas Chubb	0	13	0
In Mr Benja. Dudleys lists	Wm. Morse	1	10	9
	George Gyer	0	14	10
		£8	1	6

2d Voted that if Mr James Jones will and doth give the Town Treasurer a Note payable upon Demand with Interest for the same sum that he is assessed in Mr. Uriah Gregorys lists; the Treasurer is hereby Directed to Discount with Mr. Gregory the same sum in his Next Settlement with him as Collector —

3d. Voted that Mrss. Joseph Whitney & Joseph Russell be a Committee Vested with full power to Liberate Capt Nathan Smith from Goal (where he is now confined for his Taxes) upon the best terms that may had for the benifitt of the Town

4th Voted that Mr Josiah Biglow be Allowed 4d. Pr. £ for Collecting all Taxes Committed to him to Collect for the year 1782 Deducting five Pounds out of the whole —

5th Voted that upon the Agreement of Mr. Joel Smith to Pay one third Part of James Jones,s Taxes in Mr. Biglows lists and upon mr. Jones-s giving his Note for the remainder that Mr Josiah Biglow [271.] Shall receive out of the Treasury the Sum of Twenty five Pounds fourteen Shillings and One Penney —

6th Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee to Settle with Mr. Josiah Biglow relative to the Action that he hath Commenced against the Town

7th Voted to Accept the Town Treasurers Accounts as exhibeted —

— The Meeting was then Disolved —

Att a Legal Meeting of the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants Duly Quallified to Vote for a representative on Monday the thirteenth Day of December 1784 — In Order to bring in thier votes for a Register of Deeds for the County of Middlsix Agreeable to a Warrent recd from the Honble. Committee of the Court of Sessions for that Purpose —

The Voters' Present were Unanomouse in ther Choice, and Mr Wm. Winthrop had forty Votes —

[272.] 1785

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of Town of Weston on Monday the Seventh Day of March 1785 then & there —

1st. To choose Selectmen Collectors and such Other Town officers for the Year ensewing as the Law Directs —

2d To stipulate with thier collectors how much they shall pr. Pound for collecting Taxes —

3d. To hear the Town Treasurers Accts. and act thereon

4 To know the minds of the Town whether thier Swine shall go at large the year ensewing

5th. To know the minds of the Town whether they will repair thier highways by a rate the year ensewing and if so to grant money therefor and act any thing relative to the Matter

6 To hear & act upon a list prepared for the Jury Box

7th. To hear the Town Creditors accounts and act thereon

8th. To know the minds of the Town whether and in what Manner they will Dispose of the Pewes that now belong to the Town. or act any thing that relates thereunto —

9 To hear the Requests and Proposals of Mr Joseph Russell Relative to monies due to him from the Town & act thereon

10 To hear the request of Several of the Collectors and Others relative to the Abatement of Sundrie Taxes and act thereon —

11 To hear the Request of Sundrie Persons relative to Seating the Publick Meeting House in Said Town and act thereon

[273.] 12 To hear the Petition of Wm. Cooledge and others relative to the Alteration of a Town way near the widdow Martha Uphams and in case the Selectmen should see cause to mark out such Alteration, the Town to Ratify and confirm the same —

CAPT. ISAAC JONES *chosen Moderator of Said Meeting*

Selectmen	CAPT ISAAC JONES DEAN SAMLL FISK COLO SAMLL LAMSON CAPT JONA FISK MR SAMLL. LIVERMORE
Town Clerk	ISAAC HOBBS
Town Treasurer	COLO. SAMEL LAMSON
Constables & Collectors	ISAAC FLAGG Constable & Collector DANIEL STRATTON Constable SAMUEL LIVERMORE Collector
Assessors	CAPT ISAAC JONES MR NATHAN HOBBS MR JOHN COBURN
Wardens	MESSRS. ABRM. HARRINGTON SAMEL. SEAVERNS JUR ISAAC HOBBS
Surveyors of Highways and Collectors	CAPT. DANIEL LIVERMORE JONA. BULLARD SAMLL TRAIN JUR PHINEHAS HAGER ABIJAH WHITNEY
[274.] Tythingmen	CAPT MATTHEW HOBBS MR JONAS SANDERSON
Hogreaves	ELISHA STRATTON JONA WARREN
Preserver of Dear	CAPT DANIEL LIVERMORE MR ISREAL WHITTEMORE
Field Drivers	MESSRS. ISREAL WHITTEMORE JONA. WARREN
Fence Viewers	DANIEL STRATTON SAMLL TRAIN JUR

Sealers of Leather	JONAS SANDERSON ABRM. HARRINGTON	
Surveyors of Lumber	MR THOS. RAND CAPT DANIEL LIVERMORE	

To take care of the Meeting House MR EZRA FISK at thirty Shillings pr. Annum —

2d. Voted to Accept the Town Treasurers Account as Exhibited —

3 Voted that the Swine being Properly regulated go at Large the year ensewing —

4th Voted to grant the sum of one Hundred & fifty Pounds to repair the Highways to be worked out at Six penc pr Hour for man or Team —

5 Voted To accept the list as Prpared for the Jury Box

6th Voted to Accept of Sundrie Accounts as exhibeted viz

To Capt. Isaac Jones for his Service as an assessor the year past 15 Days at 4/ & Paper	£3	2	0
[275.] To Mr Nathan Hobbs for his Past Services as an Assessor	£6	9	0
To Mr John Coburn for Ditto	4	16	0
To Mr. Jonas Sanderson for Serving Constable and warning 8 Town Meetings in 1782	2	4	0
To Mr. Abijah Steadman for his past Services as an Assessor	1	12	6
To Mr Uriah Gregory for Serving Constable and warning five Town Meetings in 1783	1	12	0
To Mr. Josiah Steadman for Serving Constable and warning 5 Town Meetings in 1783	1	12	0

7 Voted to grant Colo. Samll Lamson the Sum of Six Pounds for his Service as Treasurer . . . 6 0 0

8 Voted to abate the following Taxes, viz

Mr Jonas Sanderson list	Nathll. Willis	1	1	2
	Timothy Perry	2	14	4
Mr Josiah Biglow list	Joseph Breed	3	11	0
	Nathan Billings	1	16	0¾
Mr. Josiah Steadman list	Nathll. Willis	0	13	0
	Timothy Perry	1	17	1
Total		£11	12	7¾

9th. Voted that Capt. Isaac Jones Enoch Greenleaf Esqr. and Mr. Isreal Whittemore be a Committee Vested with full Power to Dispose of the Pews now in the Towns Hands and to Deposit the money and Securities that shall be Procured thereby in the hands of the Town Treasurer and that the Persons that shall be Purchars of Said Pews Shall hold the same to themselves thier hiers & assigns forever —

[276.] 10th On the Petition of Mr Joseph Russell & others relative to Seating the Inhabitants in the Publick Meeting House —Voted that Messrs. Isaac Jones, Nathan Hobbs, John Coburn Samll. Lamson & Joel Smith be a Committee for that Purpose with Directions to Seat the Inhabitants, on real and Personal Estate with a Proportionable regard to Age as has been usaly Practised in this Town, and other ways Agreeable to Said Petition and make return of thier doings at the Annual Meeting in April Next —

The Meeting was then Adjourned to the last monday of this Instant March a 3 o,clock P. M: —

Meet according to Adjournment

1 Voted to Adjourn this meeting to the 4th. Day of April next at 4 o,clock P. M:

Meet According to Adjournment

1st Voted to Accept the Report of the Committee for the Sale of Pews which is as followeth viz —

WESTON March 1785

Your Committee Appointed by the Town to Sell Eight Pews beg leave to report, that we have Sold Seven of those Pews to the following Persons and on the followings terms viz one New Pew to the 2d. up the Isle on the Right hand to Deacn Isaac Hobbs for thirty Pounds — one new Pew up the Isle on the left hand and one Pew lately Occupied by Capt. Jona Fisk to Mr Joseph Russell for forty Eight Pounds Ten Shillings — one new Pew Opposite the East Door to Capt. Jona Fisk for twenty Seven pounds One new Pew Oppisite the west Door to Amos Harrington for Twenty four Pounds One Pew lately

Occupied by Col°. Braddyll Smith to Mr Thos Rand for Twenty Six pounds Ten Shillings one Ditto lately Occupied by Mrs. Rebecca Baldwin to Col° Thos. Marshall for Twenty Pounds Ten Shillings

[277.] The Pew now in the Occupation of Mr John Coburn we Declined Selling as he Disputes the Towns Right to take it is also Said that some Other Pews are in the Same Predecament we would not give Occation for Law suits but wish the Town *now* to Settle the matter

ISAAC JONES
ENOCH GREENLEAF
ISREAL WHITTEMORE

2d Voted that those Persons that purchesed the above Described Pews shall Severally Posses & enjoy them, they, thier hiers, & assigns both the fences & floors whereon they are Built so long as the Present Meeting House Shall Stand —

3d Voted that Mr. Josiah Seaverns shall Draw out of the Treasury the sum that remains uncollected in his lists that is Sett to Oliver Barber yet be held to replace it again as Soon as they can be Collected —

4th. Voted that the Treasurer shall Discount with Mr Josiah Steadman the Sum of Six Pounds on Acct. of Oliver Barbers Taxes yet Said Steadman be Accountable for the same as Soon as they may be Collected

5 Voted To Allow mr Joseph Russell the Sum of three Pounds fifteen Shillings & Six pence for Sundrie Services done and Cash expended for the Town —

The meeting was then Adjourned to the 9th day of may next at 4 o,clock PM —

May 9th. 1785 Meet according to Adjournment —

And after some conversation relative to the Alteration of a Town way refered to in the Petition of Wm. Cooledge & others, — the Selectmen Signified to the Town that they had attended to the Matter, and found that Said Alteration must be very expencive and Recomended to make the old way good — when a Considerable Number of Persons Subscribed toward the accomplishment of ye. Same

[278.] The meeting was then Disolved —

Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on Monday the fourth Day of April 1785 at the Publick Meeting-House in Said Town then and there —

1st To bring in votes for a Governor of this Common-

2d To bring in thier votes for Lt. Governor —

3d. To bring in thier votes for five Senators Agreable to the Constitution of this Commonwealth —

for Governor	Hon^BLE. James Bowdoin Esq^R.	27	Votes
	General Lincoln	18	
	Oliver Prescott Esq^R.	9	
	Hon^BLE. Thos. Cushing Esq^R.	1	
for Lt. Governor	Hon^BLE. Thos Cushing Esq^R.	40	Votes
	Oliver Prescott Esq^R.	2	
for Senators and Counselors	Nath^EL. Gorham Esq^R.	38	Votes
	Abr^M. Fullar Esq^R.	52	
	Eben^R. Bridge Esq^R	53	
	Josiah Stone Esq^R	21	
	James Prescott Esq^R.	21	
	Eleazer Brooks Esq^R.	15	
	Joseph Hosmer Esq^R	30	
	Joseph Curtis Esq^R.	27	
	Isaac Jones Esq^R.	2	

[279.] The Inhabitants of the Town Weston that were Legally Quallified to Vote in the Choice of a Representative being duly warned & assembled in the Publick Meeting House in Said Town on Monday the Ninth Day of may 1785 a one o,Clock PM : —

Did then and there elect and Depute Cap^T Isaac Jones to represent this Town of Weston in the General Assembly of this Common-wealth next ensewing —

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on the Ninteenth Day of Sepr. 1785 — at one of the clock in the After noon then & there

1st. To grant the Sum of Eighty Pounds to pay the Revd Mr Samll Kendal his Sallery for one year next Succeeding the fifth Day of Novr. Next —

2d To Provide fifteen Cords for the Revd Mr. Samll. Kendal agreeably to the Contract with him —

3d To grant such a Sum of money as shall enable the Treasurer to pay the Revd Mr. Samll Kendal the Sum of Two Hundred and fifty Pounds (with the Interest.)— Said sum being Loned to the Treasurer by the Direction of the Town —

4th To know the minds of the Town whether they will Provide two months Schooling in Different parts of the Town as usal or act any thing relative to the Matter —

5th To hear the Town Treasurers Account and act thereon

6th To hear the Town Creditors Accounts and act thereon —

[280.] 7 To hear the request of Several of the Collectors & others relative to the Abatement of Sundry Taxes and act thereon or act any thing relative to the matter —

8 To grant such a Sum of money as shall appear to be Nessessary for the Support of Schooling, and to Defray the usal & Incedental charges of Said Town —

9 To grant Such a further Sum as Shall appear to be Nessessary and Expedient for Discharging the just Dibts of the Town —

10th. To hear the Circumsyances of the widdow Damarus Gearfield with her helpless Child Represented — and make such Provision for thier futer Support as shall appear to be Nessessary & expedient —

11 To know the minds of the Town whether they will Allow the Center District one third of part of the Reading & Writing School or act any thing relative to the matter

Capt. Isaac Jones *chosen Moderator for Sd. Meeting*

1st. Voted to grant the Sum of Eighty Pounds to pay the Revd. Mr Samll. Kendal his Sallery for one year

2d Voted that Messrs. Thos. Rand Samll. Livermore and Matthew Hobbs be a Committee to Provide fifteen Cords of fire wood for the Revd mr Samll. Kendal for the year Ensewing

3d Voted to pass over the third Article for the Present

4 Voted to provid two Months Schooling in Different Parts of the Town as usal —

5 Voted to accept the Town Treasurers Accounts as Exhibeted —

6 Voted to abate Mrs. Abigail Woodward the Sum She is Assessed in Mr. Samll Livermores lists which is Eight Pounds five Shillings & eight Pence three farthings —

[281.] 7th. In mr Josiah Biglow lists	Peregine White	£2	19	2	2
	Josiah Johnson	1	7	0	—
	Billings	0	16	8	—
8th In Mr Uriah Gregory list Joseph Breed		0	13	0	—

9. Voted to grant the Sum of One Hundred & Eighty Pounds to Defray the usal & Incidental Charges of Said Town —

10 Voted to grant the Sum of two Hundred and Eighty Pounds to enable the Treasurer to Pay the Revd Mr. Samll Kendal the Sum of two Hundred anf fifty Pounds with the Interest — (Said Sum being Loaned to the Town by the Revd Mr Samll. Kendall) —

11th Voted that Mr Isreal Whittemore Capt Estes How and Capt Isaac Jones be a Committee to Procure a piece of ground to Build a Small House upon, near the Improvements of the Widdow Damarus Gearfield to Appropriated to her use (with her helpless Child) and to endeavour to raise as much money Metereals and Labour by Subscription as may be toward the Accomplishment of the Same —

12 The last Article in the warrent which was to know the minds of the Town whether they will Allow the Center District one third part of the Reading and Writing School Passed in the Negative —

the Meeting was then Adjourned to the third Day of Octr Next

Meet according to Adjournment

1st. Voted to accept of the Report of the Committee relative to Procuring a piece of Ground to build a House for the widdow Damarus Gearfield — which is as followeth viz —

2d. Voted that the Dementions of the House that may be

built Shall be as followeth viz; Seventeen feet in length — fourteen feet wide and 7 1/2 feet between floars —

3d. Voted that Master Joseph Nichols mr Josiah Steadman and Capt Isaac Jones be a Committee to let out the building of Said House to such Persons or Persons a will build the same for the Smallest Sum of money with Dispach & fidelety

4th Voted to abate the whole of Mr Abram Jones,s Taxes that remain unCollected in Missrs Seaverns, Sanderson & Steadman,s lists upon Condition of giving and executing a Deed of a Certain Piece of Land to the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston — which Taxes are as followeth — viz —

	£	S	D
In Mr. Josiah Seaverns lists the Sum of	5	10	8
In Mr Jonas Sandersons lists the Sum of	16	15	6
In Mr Josiah Stedamans lists the Sum of	7	16	0
Total	£30	2	2

5th. Voted that the following Taxes be abated viz —

In mr Josiah Biglow,s lists Capt John Whitehead,s Taxes — the Sum of	£13	10	7¾

6th Voted that Capt Jones Messrs. Joseph Russell and Isaac Hobbs be a Comttee. to receive a Deed of Mr Abrm Jones of a certain piece of Land for the Benefit of the Inhabitants of ye Town of Weston

The Meeting was then Disolved —

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at a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of The Town of Weston being duely Quallified to vote in Town affairs and Assembled at the Publick Meeting-House in Said Town on Fryday the 6th Day of Janry. 1786 —

1st. To know the minds of the Town what Measures they will Pursue to Satisfy all the Pressing Demands upon the Treasurer for Money — or act any thing that in wise relates to procuring monies or Negotiating or Settleing the Just Debts of the Town —

2d. to here the requests of Sundry Persons relative to the Abatement of Taxes and act thereon —

CAP^{T}. ISAAC JONES *chosen Moderator*

1st. Voted that the money that is Due to the Rev^{d} M^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Kendal from the Town for the Monies Said Kendal Loaned to the Town and which is now Assessed be Immediately Collected — and that no Orders be Rece^{d} for Said Assessment but the Rev^{d}. Mr Sam^{ll} Kendals —

2^{d}. Voted that Messrs. Joseph Russell Uriah Gregory and and Thos. Rand be a Committee to enquire whether they can Borrow any money for the use of the Town and at what rate — or whether they can Negotiate or Settle any of the Demands against the Town and to report at the adjournment of this Meeting

3^{d} voted that this meeting be Adjourned to the Sixteenth Day of Jan^{ry}. next at one Clock P. M:

Meet according to adjournment

1st Voted that Execution Shall Immediately Issue against all the Collectors in this Town that Shall be Delinquent on the thirteenth Day of Feb^{ry} next for all the Monies that is Due from Each Respective Collector — (the last Assessment only Excepted)

[284.] 2^{d} Voted that this Meeting be Adjourned to the thirteenth Day of Feb^{ry} next att one o,Clock PM:

Met According to Adjournment

1st. Voted to abate the following Taxes in Constable Gregory lists, viz —

	£	S	D
To m^{r} James Bucknam	1	13	5
To m^{r}. John Whitehead	0	10	5
To: Salem Midlesix	0	16	1

3^{d}. Voted Mr Jonas Sanderson may Draw out of the Treas — the Sum of three Pounds Eighteen Shillings & three pence Said Sum being due from Jon^{a}: Shepard. and that Said Sanderson shall Defer to call upon S^{d}. Shepard for the Space of five months, after which Time Said Sanderson Shall be held to replace Said Sum of Money in the Treasury if it may be Collected —

also voted that mr. Josiah Steadman may indulge mr. Jona. Sheapard for Six months relative to his Taxes —

4th Voted that Mr. Josiah Seaverns be Permitted to draw out of the Treasurey the sum of one Pound Seven Shillings & Nine Pence — and be held to replace the same in the Treasury as soon as it may be Collected from Nahum Jones he being Taxed sd. sum in his lists and (as he Saith) Still remaining uncollected —

5th. Voted that Mr. Uriah Gregory be Permitted to Indulge mr Solomon Jones and Benja. Peirce for the Space of three months on account of the Taxes due from each of them Respectively but yet held to Place the Same in the Treasury as soon as Said Taxes can be Collected after the Expiration of Said Term of three months —

6th Voted that Issuing execution against Messrs. Steadman and Gregory be Postponed to the annual Town Meeting in March — and that with respect to Mr. Isaac Flagg Collector that the Selectmen may act Discretionally in the Matter —

The Meeting was then Disolved

[285.] At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on Monday the Sixth Day of March one Thousand Seven Hundred & Eighty-Six at 11 o,Clock A : M : at the publick Meeting House in Said Town — then & there —

1st. To Choose Selectmen Collectors & Such other Town Officers for the Year ensuing as the Law Directs —

2d. To Stipulate the price of Collecting Taxes and agree with the Collectors —

3d To hear the Town Treasurers Accounts & act thereon

4th To know the minds of the Town whether thier Swine shall go at Large the Year ensewing —

5 To know the minds of the Town whether they will repair thier high ways by a rate the year ensewing and if so grant Money therefor or act any thing relative to the Matter —

6 To hear & act upon a list prepared for the Jury Box

7th. To grant such a Sum of Money as Shall be thought Sufficient to Discharge all the Just Debts of the Town, or a part

only if that should be thought most Expedient — or act any thing that in any wise relates thereunto —

8th To hear all the requests that may be made relative to the abatement of Taxes and act thereon or act any thing that relates to the Matter —

9th. To hear the Town Criditors Accounts & act thereon

10th. To know the minds of the Town whether they would have those persons held to pay the Taxes set to them respectively in the Collectors lists for the Support of the Revd. Mr. Samll. Kendall that were not held to pay Taxes to the Revd. Mr. Samll Woodward or act any thing that relates to Taxing the Baptist Denomination —

[286.] 11 To know the minds of the Town whether or not the Center District shall have one third part of the Reading & writing School for the futer —

Capt. Isaac Jones *Chosen Moderator of Said Meeting*

Selectmen	Capt. Isaac Jones Mr Thads. Spring Mr Jonas Sanderson Mr. Nathan Hager Capt. Matthew Hobbs
Town Clerk	Deacn. Isaac Hobbs
Town Treasurer	Colo. Samuel Lamson
Constables and Collectors	Mrss. Samll. Train jur & Nathan Fisk — at Six pence pr. Pound for Collecting
Assessors	Messrs. Joseph Nichols, Nathan Hobbs & Jno. Coburn
Wardens	Messrs. Amos Biglow, Jona. Bullard & Eli Jones
Surveyors of High ways & Collectors	Capt Isaac Jones, Deacn. Samuel Fisk Colo. Thos. Marshal Messrs. Eli Jones & Nathan Hobbs
Tythingmen	Messrs. Uriah Gregory & Jona Warren
Hogreaves	Messrs. Timothy Pike & Abrm. Harrington

Preserver of Deer	Mes^rs^. Hez^h^ Wyman & Nathan Warren
Field Drivers	Capt. Joseph Savage & m^r^. Jon^a^. Warren
Fence viewers	Mes^rs^. Joseph Russell & Amos Biglow
Sealers of Leather	Mes^rs^. Abr^m^. Harrington & Jonas Sanderson
Surveyors of Lumber	Mes^rs^. Daniel Stratton & Abr^m^. Biglow
to take care of the Meeting House	M^r^. Ezra Fisk at thirty Shillings p^r^. Annum

1 Voted to accept the Town Treasures Accounts as exhibeted

2 Voted that the Swine go at Large untill the first Day of Septr. next being Duly Regulated —

[287.] 3^d^. Voted to grant two Hundred Pounds to be worked out on the high ways at four Pence p^r^ Hour for man or Team —

4 Voted to accept the list Prepared for the Jury Box —

5 Voted to grant the sum of four Hundred Pounds to be appropriated for the Discharge of the just Debts of the Town —

6th. Voted To Abate Madam Woodward, Taxes being about fifteen Shillings in M^r^. Josiah Biglow,s list —

7 Voted to abate Nero Wyart,s Taxes in Mr Samuel Livermores list, being two Pounds fifteen Shillings & three pence two farthings £2 15 3 2/4

8th Voted that M^r^. Josiah Biglow draw the Sum of two Pounds fifteen Shillings & eight pence out of the Treasury and replace the Same as Soon as that Sum can be Collected from Jed^h^. Bemis £2 15 8

9th Voted that M^r^. Josiah Biglow Draw out of the Treasury on account of Joseph Harringtons Taxes the Sum of Two Pounds fourteen Shillings to be replaced again as Soon as they Can be recovered £2 14 0

10th Voted that thier be abated in M^r^. Jonas Pierces lists the Sum of fifteen Shillings & Eleven Pence Set to one Plomas 15/7

11th. Voted to allow to the Severall Persons hereafter named the Sum affixed to thier Names Respectively —

Viz To mr Samuel Livermore for Warning Eight Town Meetings thirty-two Shillings for Sallery for Serving Constable twelve Shillings, for Conveying the widdow Gibbs To Waltham Six Shillings . . . . . Total £2 10 0

12 also to Mr Daniel Stratton for Warning four Town Meetings Sixteen Shillings — for Serving Constable twelve Shillings . . . . . Total £1 8 0

[288.] 13 To Colo. Samuel [Lamson] for his Service as Treasurer the past Year the Sum of Six Pounds £6 0 0

14 To Mr. John Coburn for Eleven Days Service in taking Invoice and making five Taxes the Sum of two Pounds four Shillings £2 4 0

15 To Mr Nathan Hobbs for Eleven Days Service in Taking Invoice and making five Taxes . . . £2 4 0

16 To Capt Isaac Jones for Takeing Invoice and making Taxes Eight Days in the Year past . . . £1 12 0

17 To Mr Isaac Flagg the Sum of three Pounds fourteen Shillings & Six pence

18 Voted that Messrs. Isaac Hobbs Joseph Russell and Samuel Fisk be a Committee to make enquirey into and here the Reasons that may be offered for each Person being excused that may claim a right therefor and report to the Town at thier Annual Meeting in Apr Next

19 on the Eleventh Article in the warrent which was to know the minds of the Town whether or not the Center District shall have one third part of the reading & writing School, being put to Vote it passed in the Negative —

20 the Meeting was then Adjourned to the Annual Meeting in April Immediately after the Business of Said Meeting is ended —

Meet according to Adjournment —

When the Committee appointed to hear the reasons that might be offered from the Baptist Society relative to thier paying Taxes Reported as followeth

[289.] To the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston —

Gentlemen — Your Committee Chosen the Sixth of March last to wait upon those who call them Selves of the Baptist Society to hear the reason they have to offer why they Should be released from paying taxes To the Revd Mr Sam^ll. Kendall for his Service in the Gospel Ministry. have Attended that Service and beg leave to report as followeth viz: that it is our Unanimous Opinion that those whose names were Sent in to the Selectmen and Assessors of Weston afore Said upon a Schedule Date Feb^ry. 13th 1786 Signed by Oliver Hastings Samuel Train ju^r and Thad^s Spring Committee for Said Society Should be released from paying Taxes as afore Said for the reasons they gave us — except Messrs. Joseph Roberts, Samuel Seaverns ju^r and Increase Leadbetter — whose Reasons in our Humble Opinion are not Sufficient to exempt them from Paying thier Proportion of the Reverend M^r. Samuel Kendalls Settlement and first years Sallery at least —

Yours &c

Isaac Hobbs
Sam^el Fisk } Committee
Weston April 3^d 1786 Joseph Russell

The above report was approved and accepted by the Town whereupon the Meeting was Disolved —

at a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston at the Publick Meeting House in Said Town on Monday the 3^d day April 1786 at 2 of the Clock p : m : then and there —

1 To bring in thier votes for a Governor of this Commonwealth —

2 To bring in thier Votes for a Lieu^t. Governor —

3 To bring in thier votes for five Senators according to the Constitution of this Commonwealth —

For Governor	Oliver Prescott Esqr.	had thirty three	Votes
	James Bowdoin Esqr.	Twenty	
	Dea^n. William Brown	Three	

For Lieu^{t}. Governor	GEN^{L}: BENJ^{A}. LINCOLN	had twenty-four	Votes
	THO^{S}. CUSHING ESQ^{R}	fifteen	
	DEA^{N} W^{M}. BROWN	Eight	
	OLIVER PRESCOTT	five	

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Senators and Counsellors	EBEN^{R}. BRIDGE ESQ^{R}.	had fifty three	
	JOSEPH HOSMER ESQ^{R}.	had thirty Nine	
	ELEAZER BROOKS ESQ^{R}.	thirty-three	
	ABR^{M}. FULLER ESQ^{R}.	thirty-two	
	JAMES PRESCOTT ESQ^{R}.	thirty-three	
	JOSEPH B VERNUM ESR^{Q}.	Twenty-six	
	JOSEPH CURTIS ESQ^{R}.	Eighteen	
	JOHN BROOKS ESQ^{R}.	Fourteen	
	DEA^{N} WILLIAM BROWN	five	
	ISAAC JONES ESQ^{R}.	five	
	SAMUEL P SAVAGE ESQ^{R}.	one	
	WILLIS HALL ESQ^{R}.	one	

Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on Monday the Eighth Day of May 1786 at Two o,Clock P. M. Dea^{n}. Sam^{ll}. Fisk was elected & Deputed to represent this Town of Weston in the General Court of the Commonwealth next ensewing

at a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on wednesday the Twenty first Day of June 1786 at two o,Clock P M To know the minds of the Town what Measures the will take to raise Money to pay the present Demands upon the Town or act any thing relative to the Matter —

CAP^{T}. ISAAC JONES *Morderator of Said Meeting*

There being but a very thin Meeting Matters were Talked over relative to the Bussiness of the Meeting but no votes Passed

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on Monday the eighth day of may 1786 at the Publick Meeting-House in Said Town at 4 O,clock P : M : then & there

1 Cap^{T}. Isaac Jones *chosen Moderator of Said Meeting*

1st To know the minds of the Town whether they will appoint a Committee to draw up Instructions for thier Representative

[291.] 2 To know the minds of the Town whether they will Join with other Town in this County by a Committee for the Purpose of Consulting with the Committees of such Towns as may be Convened for the Purpose of Building or Providing a work-house or act any thing that relates thereunto —

3 To know the minds of the Town whether they will Choose a Committee to assist the Managers of WaterTown Bridge Lottery in the Sale of thier Ticketts yet remaining unsold or act any thing relative to the Matter —

4th To hear the request of Sundrie Persons relative to the abatement of Sundrie Taxes and act thereon —

Cap^{T}. Isaac Jones *Chosen Moderator of Said Meeting*

1st. Voted that Col^{o}. Marshall Capt. Jones Messrs. Samuel Livermore Joseph Russell & Joseph Roberts be a Committee to Draw up Instructions for the Representative of this Town the ensewing Year and exhibet the same to the Town at the Adjournment of this Meeting for Acceptance on non Acceptance

2 Voted that Capt. Jones be a Committee, to Join with the Committees of such Towns as may be Conveened for the Purpose of Consulting upon the Propriety of Building or Providing a work-House within this County —

3^{d}. Voted that Messrs. Thad^{s}. Spring Joseph Russell Samuel Livermore Capt. Estes How & Capt. Jon^{a}. Fisk be a Committee to join with the Managers of Watertown relative to the Lottery for widening the great Bridge and to make every Nessessary enquiery relative to Said Lottery and report thier Oppinion what is best to be done by the Town at the Adjournment of this Meeting

4th. Voted that Mr Nathan Hobbs be a Committee to enquier whether or not Mr Enos Wheelar is an Inhabitant of this Town & Inform the Town at the Adjournment of this Meeting —

5 Voted that the Collecting m^{rs}. Bonds Taxes be Postponed for the Present

6 voted to abate Daniel Twitchel,s Taxes in Constable Flaggs lists the Sum of Eight Shillings & Ten Pence —

7th Voted Relative to Mrs Mary Pierces Taxes — that if She pay Six Pounds in money and will give Security for the remainder of her Taxes in mr Biglows lists at the Adjournment of this Meeting the Town will Indulge her Six Months longer to pay the Remainder of her Taxes —

[292.] Voted that so long as Messrs. Simeon Smith and Benja. Pierce pay Mr. Gregory Twenty Shillings pr. month mr. Gregory is Directed not to Destirain upon either of them —

The Meeting was then Adjourned to monday the 29th Day of this Instant may at 4 o,Clock P M : — Meet according to Adjournment

The Committee to Prpare Instructions for the Representaive of this Town Then exhibeted a Draught of the same. which being read and taken up Article by article and Some Amendments Directed to be made in the first and eighth Article it was Accepted and Committed to Messrs. Isaac Hobbs & Joseph Russell to make such Ammendments and Present said Instructions to Deacon Samuel Fisk the Representative of this Town —

The Committee relative to Water Town Bridge Lottery Informed the Town that they were not ready to report *thier Oppion* relative to the Matter —

Mr. Nathan Hobbs Informed the Town that he had made proper enquiery and could not find that mr. Enos Wheelar was an Inhabitant of this Town

The Meeting was then Disolved

at a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston at the Publick Meeting-House in Said Town on Monday the 21st. of Augt. 1786 at 2 O,Clock P. M then & there —

1 : st. to grant the Sum of Ninty Pounds to pay the Revd Mr Samll. Kendall his Sallery for one year Imeadiately Succeeding the 5th Day of Novr. next

2d. To Provide Twenty Coards of fire wood for the Revd : Mr Samll Kendall for the year ensewing Agreeably to what was Stipulated with him —

3d. To know the minds of the Town whether they will Provide two months Schooling in the Different parts of Town Usal or act any thing relative to the matter —

4 To grant Such a Sum of Money as Shall Appear to be Nessessary for the Support of Schooling and Defray the usal and Incedental charges of the Town —

5 To hear the Town Treasurers Accounts and act thereon

6 To hear the Town Creditors Accounts and act thereon

7 To hear the requests of all Persons that have reasons to Offer why thier Taxes should be abated and act thereon —

8 To hear a Letter from the Several Towns hereafter Named viz Groten Pepperell Shirley Townsend and Ashby relative to Publick Grievances and Imbarrasments and act thereon —

9 To hear the report of thier Committee relative to Watertown [293.] Bridge Lottery and act thereon or act any thing Relative to Said Lottery —

Capt. Isaac Jones *Moderator*

1st. Voted to grant the Sum of Ninty Pounds to pay the Revd Mr: Samuel Kendall his Sallery for one Year begining Novr. 5th. 1786 —

2d. Voted Twenty Cords of fire-wood for the Revd. mr Samuel Kendall for the same Year —

3d. Voted that Messrs. Samuel Fisk Nathan Hager & Capt. Jona. Fisk be a Committee to Provide the Same —

4th. that shall be two months Schooling in Different parts of the Town as usal —

5 Voted to grant the Sum of One Hundred and fifty Pounds to Defray the usal and incidental charges of Said Town —

6th Voted to allow the Town Treasurers accounts as Exhibited —

7h. Voted to allow the Town Creditors accounts as followeth Viz To mr. Joseph Roberts for his Service as an Assessor in the Year 1784 the Sum of one pound Ten Shillings

To Deacon Samuel Fisk for Seven Days Attendence att a Convention held at Concord in the Year 1779 at Six Shillings Pr. day the sum of Two Pounds Two Shillings . £2 2 0

To Mr. Thos. Rand for his service in attending the same Con-

vention Seven Days at Six Shillings P^{r}. Day Two Pounds two Shillings

8th. Voted to abate the Taxes of Nath^{ll}. Parkhurst in m^{r}. Josiah Steadman,s list the Sum of Eight Shillings —

9 Voted that m^{r}. Josiah Steadman draw out of the Treasurey the Sum of Seven Shillings on account of Ceasar Biglow,s Taxes to be replaced as soon as it can be Collected —

10th. Voted that Capt. Jones M^{r}. Thad^{s}. Spring & Mr Thos. Rand be a Committee to Treat with the Committee of Watertown or any Person or Persons that Shall make Proposals relative to watertown Bridge Lottery and report to the Town at the Adjournment of this Meeting —

The Meeting was then Adjourned to the 2^{d}. Day of Octr. next at 3 O,Clock P M: [294.] 1786 Meet according to Adjournment —

1^{t}. Voted that M^{r}. Josiah Seaverns draw out of the Treasurey the sum of on Account of Ceasar Biglow,s Taxes to be replaced as soon as they can be Collected —

2 Voted that if m^{r} Benj^{a}. Pierce shall, & doth give his Security for the Sum of Sett to the widow Mary Pierce in m^{r} Uriah Gregory lists the Treasurer is here by Directed to Discharge the Said Uriah the Same Sum and the Said Uriah to Discharge the Said Mary Pierce —

3 Voted that Managers of Watertown-Bridge Lottery be and they hereby are Directed Immediately to Inquire into the State of Said Lottery and be able at the Adjournment of this Meeting to exhibet to the Town a Perticular account Relative thereto —

4 Voted that the Committee Chosen the 21st. of aug^{t}. Relative to Said Lottery be Continued and that they exhibet to Said Town at the Adjournment of this Meeting every thing that they shall be able to Inform themselves of relative thereto Previous to Said meeting —

5. Voted that the Committee chosen the 21st. of aug^{t}. to join the Convention at Concord the 23^{d} of aug^{t}. be Dismissed and they are Dismissed Accordingly

6. Voted that this meeting be Adjourned to the Last monday in Octr Instant at three o,clock P M —

Meet according to Adjournment

1 Relative to the Committee of Water town Bridge Lottery, they being not Prepared to give a Perticular Account of the State of Said Lottery as was Directed — Voted that they exhibet Such an Account at the Adjournment of this meeting —

2d. Voted that the Town Treasurer be Directed to Recept mr. Samuel Livermore the Sum of all the Taxes Sett to Simeon Smith that remain uncollected in Said Livermore lists — and he the Said Livermore to be Accountable for the Same as Soon as they may be Collected —

3d Voted that Simeon Smith be Liberated from Goal he giving his Note of hand to Colo. Samll. Lamson Town Treasurer for the Sum of the Taxes for which he Stands Committed Said Smith Paying all Charges of Committment —

4 Voted that Mr. Nathan Hagar be a Committee to Liberate mr Simeon Smith from Goal upon the above Conditions—

5 Voted that this Meeting be Adjourned to the last monday in Novr next —

Meet according to adjournment and adjourned the meeting to the annual Town Meeting in March next a 4 o,Clock P M

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at a Legal Town meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Janry : 3d 1787 at the Publick meeting House in Said Town at 8 o,Clock P. M then and there —

To hear the Report of thier Committee Relative to Watertown Bridge Lottery and act thereon or act any thing that anywise relates to Said Lottery —

1st Voted to Accept the report of thier Committee relative to Watertown Bridge Lottery which is as followeth — Viz

2d Voted that Messrs. Isaac Hobbs Samll. Livermore John Coburn Isreal Whitemore & Samuel Train jur be added to the above Committee

3d Voted that the above Committee have full Power in Con-

cert with the Committees of Watertown & Waltham or either of them togeather with the Managers of Said Lottery to Dertermin whether or not it is advisable to go forward with Said Lottery or to call in the Ticketts that are already sold, and finally give up the Proposed Benefitt of Said Lottery —

5 Voted that the meeting be adjourned to next monday come Seven Night at 2 o,Clock P M — N B. the Inhabitants Did not meet —

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town Weston on the 17th. of Janry. 1787 at the Publick meeting-House in Said Town on at one of the Clock in the after-noon then & there To know the minds of the Town what incouragement they will give that part of the Militia that are Ordered to March to Worcester in Defence of our Invaluable Right and Priveledges and for the Protection of the Court of Common Pleas there Soon to be holden or act any thing that relates thereto —

CAPT. ISAAC JONES *chosen Moderator*

1st. It was put to vote to know the minds of the Town whether they would Direct that that Two Dollars be paid out of the Treasury as a Bounty to each man that should Volantarily Inlist in the Service Directed by Government — and it passed in the Negative —

[296.] 2 it was Put to know the minds of the Town whether they would allow two Dollars advance pay to each man that should Inlist and it Passed in the Negative —

3 It was put to Vote to know the minds of the Town whether they would make any Provision for the encouragement of the Voluntary Inlistment of the men Ordered out for the Support of Government and it Passed in the Negative —

The Meeting was then Disolved

Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on the fifth Day of march 1787 at the Publick meeting House in Said Town then and there —

1t To Choose Selectmen, Collectors and such other Town officers as the Law Directs —

2d. To Stipulate and agree with the Collectors the Price of Collecting Taxes

3 To hear the Town Treasurers Accounts and act thereon —

4 To know the minds of the Town whether thier Swin Shall go at Large the Year ensewing —

5 To know the minds of the Town whether they will repair thier high ways by a rate the Year ensewing and if so to grant money therefor or act any thing relative to the matter —

6 To hear and act upon a list prepared for the Jury Box —

7 To grant such a Sum of money as shall be Thought Nessessary and expedient to be appropriated for the Just Debts of the Town or act any thing that relates thereto —

8 To hear all the requests that may be made relative to the abatement of Taxes and act thereon or act any thing that relates thereto —

9 To hear the request of Edwd. Brindley and others relative to Vote passed by this Town for the Indemnification of the manegers of this Town for Carring on the Lottery for widening Watertown Bridge and act thereon or act any thing relative to the Matter —

10 To hear the request of Samuel Livermore relative to making him an Allowance for monies Advanced for the use of the Town and act thereon —

[297.] Capt. Isaac Jones *Choosen Moderator for said Meeting*

1st. Selectmen	Capt. Isaac Jones Messurs. Thads. Spring Jonas Sanderson Nathan Hagar Matthew Hobbs
Town Clerk	Isaac Hobbs — Sworn
Town Treasurer	Colo. Samuel Lamson sworn
Constables & Collectors	Mr. John Coburn Chosen and Mr Samll Train jur. accepted in his room Mr. Hezekiah Wyman and Mr. Nathan Fisk accepted in his room

Assessors	Mes^rs^. Nathan Hobbs, John Coburn & Thad^s^ Spring
Wardens	Mes^rs^. Increas Leadbetter, Abr^m^. Hews & William Hobbs
Surveyors of Highways & Collectors	Mes^rs^. Amos Harrington, John Biglow, Jonas Sanderson Alpheus Biglow and Capt. Jon^a^. Fisk
Tythingmen	Mes^rs^. Isaac Stratton, Samuel Train and Jonas Sanderson
Hogreaves	Mes^rs^. Hez^h^. Wyman and Ebenezer Brackett
Preserver of Deer	Nathan Warren and Joseph Russell
Field Drivers	Mes^rs^. Nathan Fisk and Eben^r^. Hobbs
Fence Viewers	Mes^rs^. Phinehas Upham and Fortunatus Nichols
Leather Sealers	Mes^rs^. Nathan Hager and Jonas Sanderson
Surveyors of Lumber	Mes^rs^. Benj^a^. Rand and Daniel Stratton
Surveyor of Hemp	Capt. Isaac Jones
To take Care of the meeting House	M^r^. Ezra Fisk a thirty Shillings p^r^. annum

2 Voted to accept the Town Treasures Account as exhibeted —

3^d^ Voted that the Swine may go at Large being well regulated until the first Day of September Next —

4 Voted to grant the Sum of one Hundred Pounds to repair the Highways and that the Said Sum be worked out at 4^d^. p^r^. Hour for man or Team —

[298.] 5 Voted to accept the List Prepared for the Jury Box —

6 Voted to abate M^r^. Bogles Taxes for y^e^. year 1784 in m^r^ Isaac Flaggs lists Provided that his Son Pay the Taxes for the year 1785 —

7 Voted that this meeting be Adjourned to the Second Day of Apr^l. Next a 4 O,Clock

Meet according to Adjournment

1st. Mr Sam^ll. Train and M^r. Nathan Fisk Appearing to take the Collection of Taxes for the ensewing year at 4^d. P^r. Pound were Accepted by the Town they to give Bonds for the faithfull Discharge of the trust reposed in them —

2^d. On the Petition of M^rs. Abigail Woodward Setting forth her Inability to pay the Taxes that have been laid upon her Since Sepr 1785 and Praying for an abatement of the whole of them and requesting that the Assessors may be Directed to excuse her from any in futer until the Circumstances of her Family are such as will enable her to Discharge them — The Petition having had Several readings it was Put to vote to know the minds of the Town whether they would grant the Prayer of the Petition as it had been read and it Passed in the Affirmative —

3 Voted to Abate the Taxes of Jesse Sawin in Mr Isaac Flaggs list the Sum of one Pound Eleven Shillings and four Pence £1 11 4

The 7th. 9th. & 10th. Articles were not acted upon —

The Meeting was then Disolved

at a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston in the Publick Meeting House in Said Town on Monday the Second Day of April 1787 then & there —

1 To bring in their Votes for Governor of this Commonwealth —

2^d To bring in thier Votes for Lieu^t Governor —

3^d To bring in thier votes for five Counselors and Senators

Governor	HIS EXELENCY JAMES BOWDOIN	43	Votes
	THE HON^BLE : JOHN HANCOCK	74	
[299.]			
Lieu^t. Governor	HON^BLE. THO^s. CUSHING ESQ^R	55	Votes
	BENJ^A. LINCOLN ESQ^R.	51	
	HON^BLE. SAM^EL. ADAMS ESQ^R.	1	
	DOCT^R. MARSHAL SPRING	1	

Counselors and Senators	EBEN^R. BRIDGE ESQ^R.	46	Votes
	JOSEPH B. VARNUM ESQ^R.	104	
	ELEAZER BROOKS ESQ^R.	35	
	ABRAHAM FULLAR ESQ^R.	31	
	JOSEPH HOSMER ESQ^R.	21	
	JAMES PRESCOT ESQ^R.	30	
	ISAAC STARNS ESQ^R.	60	
	EZRA SERGANT ESQ^R.	51	
	WALTER MCFARLING ESQ^R.	60	
	DOCT^R MARSHAL SPRING	73	
	JOSEPH CURTIS ESQ^R.	10	
	GEN^L. JOHN BROOKS	2	
	M^R THO^S FAIRWEATHER	6	
	MR ABNER SANDERSON	1	
	MR JOSEPH ROBERTS	3	

The Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Legally Quallified to Vote in the Choice of a representative being Duly warned and Assembled at the Publick Meeting House in Said Town on Monday the 7th Day of may 1787 Did then & there Elect & Depute CAP^T ISAAC JONES to represent them in the General Court of this Commonwealth the year ensewing —

Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on the fifteenth Day of Octr. 1787 at the Publick Meeting House in Said Town then and there —

1st. To grant the Sum of Ninty Pounds to Pay the Rev^d. Mr Sam^ll. Kendal his Sallery for one year Immediatly Succeeding the 5th. Day of Novr next —

2 To Provide 20 Cords of wood for the Rev^d M^r. Sam^ll. Kendal for the ensewing year agreeable to w^t. was Stipulated with him —

[300.] 3 To know the minds of the Town whether they will Provide two months Schooling in the Different Parts of Town as Usal or act any thing relative to the matter —

4 to know the minds of the Town whether they will Provide a womans School two months in each of Different School Houses in the Town if they Should think it Expedient —

5 To grant Such a Sum of money as Shall appear to be Nessessary for the Support of Schooling and to Defray the Usal and Incindental Charges of Said Town —

6 To Hear the Town Treasurers Accounts and act thereon

7th To hear the Town Creditors Accounts and act thereon

8th To hear the request of all Persons that have reasons to Offer why thier Taxes should be abated and act thereon, or act any thing that relates to the abatement of Taxes —

Capt. Isaac Jones *Chosen Moderator of Said Meeting*

1 Voted to grant the Sum of Ninty Pounds to pay the Revd mr. Saml. Kendals Sallery for the year ensewing —

2 Voted to grant the Revd. Mr Samll. Kendal Twenty Cords of wood for the ensewing Year and that Deacon Samuel Fisk Mr Joel Smith and mr. Jonas Sanderson be a Committee to Provide the Same —

3 Voted that Two months Schooling be Provided in Different parts of the Town as Usal —

4th. Voted to Provide a womans School two months in each of the Different School-Houses in the Town —

5 Voted to grant the Sum of Two Hundred Pounds to Defray the Expence of Schooling and other usal and Incedental Charges of Said Town —

6th. Voted to accept the Town Treasurers Accounts as Exhibeted

7. Voted to allow the following Accounts —

	£	S	D
viz To Mr. Nathan Fisk for warning Eight Town Meetings in 1786 at 4/ each and Sallery for Serving Constable 12/ Total	2	4	0
To Mr Samll Train for the Same Services the sum of . .	2	4	0

[301.] 8th. Voted to Allow Mr. Joseph Nichols for his attending a Convention at Roxbury 12/ for his Services as an Assessor the Sum of Two Pounds fourteen Shillings — Total

	£3	8	0
To Mr John Coburn for his Services as an Assessor . .	2	13	0
To Mr. Jonas Sanderson Cost of an Execution . . .	2	5	0
To Mr. Thads. Spring as a Committe relative to the Lottery	0	18	0

The Meeting was then Adjourned to the 28th Day of this Instant Octr. a 2 O'Clock in the afternoon —

Meet according to Adjournment

1st. Voted to abate John Allens Taxes in mr. Steadman lists

2 Voted to abate the Taxes of Thos. Pierce in mr. Steadmans List

3 Voted to abate the Taxes of the Widow Bond in Mr. Livermore and mr. Fisks Lists —

4 Voted to allow mr. Daniel Stratton for Conveying Rebecca Baker from weston to Brookline the Sum of twelve Shillings

5 Voted to allow mr John Coburn as a Committee relativ to the Lottery the Sum of Twelve Shillings —

6 Voted to allow Dean. Isaac Hobbs the Sum of fifteen Shillings for the Same Service —

The Meeting was then Disolved

Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on monday the Tenth Day of Decer. 1787 Capt. Abrm. Biglow was Elected to Represent the Inhabitants of this Town in a Convention to be held at the State House in Boston on the Second Wednesday of Janry. next to Take under thier Consideration for thier assent and Ratification the Constitution or frame of Government for the United States of America as Reported by the Convention of Delegates held at Philedelphia on the first monday of may 1787

[302.] **1787. [1788.]**

Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on the third day of March 1788 at the Publick meeting House in Said Town then & there

1st: To Choose Selectmen Collectors & such other Town Officers as the Law Directs —

2d. To Stipulate & agree with the Collectors the price of Collecting Taxes

3d. To hear the Town Treasurers Accounts and act thereon

4th. To hear the Town Creditors Accounts and act thereon

5 To know the minds of the Town whether thier Swine shall go at Large the year ensewing —

6th. To know the minds of the Town whether they will repair thier highway by a rate the Year ensewing and if so to grant money therefor or act any thing relative thereto —

7th. To hear and act upon a List Prepared for the Jury Box

8th. To grant Such a Sum of money as Shall be thought Nessessary and expedient to be Appropriated for the Sole Purpose of Discharging the Just Debts of the Town — and also to Adopt Such Measures as shall appear to be most likely that the money so appropriated shall actualy be Collected and applied to the Purpose above mentioned and no Other or Act any thing relative to the Matter —

9 To hear all the requests that may be made relative to the Abatement of Taxes and act thereon or Act any thing relative thereto —

10 To know the minds of the Town whether or not they will Discontinue the Town way leading from the great Country road Northerly through Lands formerly owned by Mr Benja. Pierce late of Weston Deceased it being the request of the Revd. Mr. Samll. Kendall and mr. Abrm. Harrington —

Capt. Isaac Jones *Choosen Moderator*

[303.]

Selectmen	Capt. Isaac Jones	
	Messrs.	Thads. Spring
		Jonas Sanderson
		Nathan Hager
		Matthew Hobbs
Town Clerk	Isaac Hobbs	
Town Treasurer	Mr. Joseph Russell	
Constables and Collectors	Samuel Pratt	
	Nathan Fisk (in Lieu of John Warren)	

Said Collectors to have four Pence pr. pound for Collecting

Wardens	Messrs. Jerh. Goodhew, Ebenr Brackett and Ebenr Hobbs
Surveyors of Highway & Collectors	Messrs. Amos Biglow Joseph Gowen Daniel Bemis, Nathan Warren & Samll. Pratt.

Tythingmen — MESRS. NATHAN HAGAR & HEZEKIAH WYMAN —
Hogreaves — JONAS PIERCE JUR & ELISHA STATTON —
Preserver of Dear. URIAH GREGORY and NATHAN HAGER —
Field Drivers — DANIEL STRATTON & ABNER RUSSELL —
Fence Viewers — DANIEL STRATTON & NATHLL. ALLEN —
Leather Sealers. NATHAN HAGER & ABRM. HARRINGTON —
Surveyors of Lumber. THOS. RAND. & AMOS BIGLOW —
Surveyors of Hemp — CAPT. MATTHEW HOBBS —
To take care of the meeting House } EZRA FISK at thirty Shillings pr Annum

1st. Voted to accept the Town Treasurers Account as Exhibeted —

2 Voted to Allow the following Accounts viz —

	£	S	D
To mr Thos Rand as a Comittee relative to the Lottery .	1	1	0
To mr Samuel Train jur. for warning five Town meetings 20/ for Sallery for one year 12/ as Commtee relative to Lottery. 6/	1	18	0
To Colo. Lamson as Treasurer for two Years . . .	6	0	0
[304.] To Nathan Fisk for warning five Town Meetings 20/ as Sallery for Serving Constable 12/ . .	1	12	0
To Mr Nathan Hobbs his Acct. in full for making Taxes in the year 1786 — and 1787	4	6	0
To mr Josiah Biglow the cost of an Execution . . .	2	8	0
To Mr John Coburn as an Assessor for the year 1787 . .	1	10	0
To Mr. Isreal Whittemore as a Committee relative to the Lottery	0	15	0

3d. Voted that the Swine may go at large being well regulated untill the first Day of Sepr. Next —

4 Voted to grant the Sum of Two Hundred Pounds which Sum is hereby appropriated to the sole Purpose of Paying two Debts the Town Owes in Boston — and that Capt. Estes How be a Collector to Collect the above Sum in Specie — and that no Orders be Reced — Said Collector to be Accountable To the Town Treasurer — and to have Six Pence Pr. lb for his Service — and to give Bonds for the faithfull Discharge of the Trust reposed in him —

5th Voted to grant the Sum of One Hundred Pounds to repair the highways the ensewing Year and that the Same be worked out at 4d. Pr. hour for man or Team —

6th Voted to abate the Taxes of Thads. Child in mr. Samll. Livermores lists for 1784 & 1785 — the Sum of £1—16—4 1/2 and also Said Childs Taxes in Mr Nathan Fisks lists the Sum of . . . . . 1—16—3 —

7 Voted to Discontinue the Town Road Leading from the great Country road Northerly through Lands formerly Owned by mr Benja. Pierce late of Weston Deceased — it being the request of the Revd mr Samll. Kendall and mr Abrm. Harrington —

The Meeting was then Disolved

Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on Monday the Seventh Day of April 1788 at the Publick Meeting-House in Said Town — to bring in thier Votes for Governor Lieut. Governour and five Senators Agreeably to the Constitution of this Common-wealth — the Votes were as followeth Viz —

[305.] For Governour. His Exelency John Hancock Esqr. had Eighty Votes

For Lieut Governour
- Honble. Samuel Adams
- Genl. Benja. Lincoln
- Honble. Elbridge Geary

Senators and Counsellors

Colo. B. Varnum Esqr.	had Sixty-three
Genl. Ebenr Bridge	fifty-six
Honble : Joseph Hosmer	fifty three
Hon Isaac Starns	fifty Eight
Colo Wm. Thompson	thirty three
Colo Walter McFarling	thirty five
Mr Samll Reed	Twenty-eight
Joseph Curtis Esqr.	twenty four
Eleazer Brooks Esqr.	fifty four
Doctr. Marshall Spring	thirty-five
James Winthrop Esqr.	five
Honble : Elbridge Geary	five

The Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified Agreeably to the Constitution of this Common-wealth being Legally Assembled att the Publick Meeting-House in Said Town on thursday the 15th Day of may 1788 did then & there elect and Depute CAPT. ISAAC JONES to Represent them in the general Court the ensewing Year —

The Inhabitants of the Town of Weston duly Quallified to Vote in Town affairs being Legally Assembled at the Publick Meeting house in Sd. Town on thursday the 15tn. Day of May 1788 a four o,Clock P : M : Then & there —

1st To Choose a Moderator of Said Meeting —

2d. To hear all the requests that may be made relative to the abatement of Taxes — and act thereon — or act any thing relative to the Matter —

3d. To know the minds of the Town whether they will Choose a Committee to Join with a Committee of the Town of Waltham to Petition the General Court to be Exempted from any further [306.] Charge towards Supporting or repairing the great Bridge in Watertown for Such reasons as they Shall be Able to exhibit — or act any thing that in any wise relates to the matter —

4 To know the minds of the Town whether they will Choose a Committee to agree with Isreal Jones Esqr. Administrator to the Estate of Elisha Jones Esqr. late of Weston Deceased, relative to a Demand made by the Said Isreal Jones — for the rent of Pew now Occupied by the Revd. Mr. Samll Kendall or act any thing relative to the Matter —

5 To know the minds of the Town whether they will Choose a Committee to Purchase a Piece of Land for a Buring Yard and take a Deed of the Same in behalf of the Town or act any thing relative thereto —

1 Voted that CAPT. ISAAC JONES be Moderator of Said Meeting —

2 Voted to abate the Pole Tax of mr Abrm. Jones that was Sett to him for his own Pole in the lists Committed to mr. Isaac Flagg to Collect —

3 Voted that mr Isaac Flagg be Directed not to Destrain upon mr Jona. Sheapard at Present for the Taxes he hath against him --

4 Voted to abate the Taxes of Nathan Starns in m^r Josiah Seaverns list the Sum of . . . } 2 9 5

5 Voted to abate the Taxes of Talmon How in m^r Josiah Seaverns list the sum of . . . } 1 5 8

6 Voted that Mr Isaac Flagg be Directed not to Destrain upon m^r. James Stimson so long as he pays Six Shillings P^r. month —

7th. Voted that Mr Sam^ll Livermore Collector be Directed to Indulge Mr Benj^a. Pierce relative to his Taxes untill next fall as he the S^d. Benj^a. Promises to Pay a Considerable part of Said Taxes at that Time

8th Voted that m^r Thad^s Spring m^r Joseph Russell and Deacon Samuel Fisk be a Committee to Confer with a Committee of the Town of Waltham relative to the Support of the great Bridge in Watertown and to Join with them in Petitioning the General Court to be exempted from any further Charge towards Supporting or repairing Said Bridge — if the Committees when joined Shall think it expedient —

9 Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee to Conduct the matter relative to the Pew Claimed by Isreal Jones Esqr.

10 Voted that Deacon Isaac Hobbs m^r Sam^ll Livermore m^r. Joseph Nichols Mr Isreal Whittemore and Deacon Sam^ll Fisk be a Committee to look out one or more Places Proper for Buring Ground in this Town and See how they be Purchased and report the next Town Meeting —

[307.] The Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duly Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs being Legally Assembled at the Publick Meeting-House in Said Town on Monday the eighth day of Sepr. 1788 at one o,clock P. M: then and there —

1^t. To Choose a Moderator of Said meeting —

2^d To grant the Sum of Ninty Pounds to Pay the Rev^d. Mr Samuel Kendall his Sallery for one Year next Suceeding the fifth day of November 1788 —

3^d. To Provide 20 Cords of fire wood for the Revd Mr Sam^ll. Kendal for the Year ensewing agreeably to what was Stipulated with him —

4 To know the minds of the Town whether they provide

two months Schooling in the Different Parts of the Town as Usal or act any thing relative to the Matter —

5 To know the minds of the Town whether they will provide a Womans School two or more Months in each of the Different School-Houses in Town or act any thing that relates thereto —

6th. To grant such a sum of money as Shall appear to be Nessessary and Expedient for the Support of Schooling and other Usal and Incedental Charges of the Town —

7 To hear the Town Treasurers Accounts and act thereon

8 To hear the Town Creditors Accounts and act thereon

9 To hear all reasonable requests for the Abatement of Taxes and act thereon — or act any thing relative thereto

1st Capt. Isaac Jones *Chosen Moderator of Said Meeting*

2 Voted to grant the sum of Ninty Pounds to pay the Revd Mr. Samuel Kendal his Sallery for the ensewing Year

3d Voted that Messrs: Jona Fisk Matthew Hobbs and Jonas Harrington be a Committee to provide twenty Cords of wood for the Revd Mr Samll. Kendal

4th. Voted to Provide two months Schooling in the Different parts of the Town as Usal —

5 Voted that Nathan Fisk Collector draw out of the Treasury the Sum of one Pound Six Shillings and nine Pence on Acct. of the Delinquency of Capt. Nathan Smiths in paying his Taxes — Said Nathan Fisk to be accountable therefor when ever it shall be in his Power to Collect the same

[308.] 6 Voted that mr Samuel Livermore Draw out of the Treasury the Sum that is due upon his lists against the Said nathan Smith and be Accountable for the Same whenever it may be Collected —

7 Voted that mr. Phinehas Upham be allowed the Sum of four Pounds on account of his Supporting the Widow Breed and her Daughter it being over and above what he was allowed by a Committee of this Commonwealth — the last Adjustment

8 Voted that mr. Joseph Russell Town Treasurer be, and he hereby is Directed to Settle with the Treasurer of this Common-wealth on Account of the Delinquincy of Capt. Daniel

Livermore late Collector Deceased and Pay the Ballence due to S^d^. Treasurer and bring Vouchers therefor to be allowed the Same in his next Settlement with the Town —

The Meeting was then Adjourned to the Sixth Day of Octr next at two of the Clock in the after noon —

Meet According to Adjournment

1 Voted To Accept the Town Treasurers Accounts as Ex hibeted

2^d^ Voted to grant the Sum of one Hundred and fifty Pounds to Defray the Usal and Incidental Charges of the Town the ensewing Year

3^d^ Voted to allow the following Accounts viz —

To m^r^. Thad^s^. Spring for his Service as an Assessor from June 5th 1787 To June 19th. 1788 the Sum of three Pounds Seven Shillings & Six pence

To m^r^. Nathan Hobbs for his Services as an Assessor from 24th. of March 1788 to the 19th of June next following the Sum of thirty-Six Shillings

4 Voted that m^r^ Jonas Pierce be allowed to draw out of the Treasurer the Value of what Nahum Jones was assessed in his lists the Said Jonas to be accountable for the Same whenever the Said Tax may be Collected from the Said Nahum Jones —

5 Voted that if Messrs. Jonas Pierce and Benj^a^. Dudley late Collectors Neglect to Settle with m^r^ Joseph Russell Town Treasurer and pay thier respective Ballences due to the Town untill after the first Day of Octr next. then, and in that case the Said Treasurer is hereby Directed to Issue Execution against the Said Delinquent Collectors

[309.] 6th Voted that if Mers^rs^. Isaac Flagg and Sam^ll^. Livermore late Collectors Shall Neglect to Settle with m^r^ Joseph Russell Town Treasurer & pay one half thier respective Ballences by the first Day of of Novr. next. then and in that case Execution to Issue against the Said Collectors —

7 Voted that Mers^rs^. Samuel Train and Nathan Fisk Collectors be Called upon to pay into the Treasury in Specie the following Sums by the first day of Novr. next viz m^r^ Sam^ll^

Train Thirty pounds and mr Nathan Fisk fifteen Pounds — and upon failure thereof Execution to Issue against Said Collectors —

8th. Voted that Execution Shall not Issue against mr Uriah Gregory late Collector for the Sum of the following Taxes untill the further Orders of the Town viz

Mr Edwd. Garfield Taxes	£3	4	11
Joseph Harrington do	2	7	10
John Pierce do	1	11	5
Total	£7	4	2

9th. Voted that Capt Isaac Jones and Decn. Samll. Fisk managers of of Watertown Bridge Lottery be Permitted and they are hereby Jointly Permitted to draw out of the Treasury the Sum of eight Pounds two Shillings to Defray the expence of Printing the tickets of Said Lottery —

10th. Voted that the Town Treasurer be Derected to discount with mr. Uriah Gregory late Collector. a sum equal to Value of Taxes Sett to To Samuel Nutting in his lists at the Time he the Said Collector Settled with the Town —

11 Voted to abate the Taxes of Caleb Peirce in mr. Samll Livermores list the Sum of Seven Shillings and Ten Pence —

12 Voted that hearing the report of the Committee relative to the Buring ground be postponed untill the Annual Town Meeting in March next —

The Meeting was then Disolved

[310.] Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on the Eighteenth Day of December 1788 at the Publick Meeting House in Said Town at one of the Clock in the afternoon then and there —

1st. To give in thier Votes for a Person within this District of this County of Middlesx to represent the People of this Common-wealth in the Congress of the united States —

2d. To give in thier Votes for two Persons within the Said District as Candidates for an Elector of the President and Vice President of the United States —

Representative { JOHN BROOKS ESQR. had twenty Six Votes
HONBLE. ELBRIDGE GEARY ESQR. had Twenty votes

Electors — { HONBLE. FRANCIS DANA had fifty-eight votes
HONBLE. NATHLL. GORHAM had forty-one votes
HONBLE. JAMES RUSSELL had Seventeen votes

1789

Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on the 29th. day of Janry. 1789 at the Publick meeting-House in Said Town at one o,Clock P.M — then and there —

To bring in thier Votes for a Representative to represent the District of Middlesix in the Congress of the United States

Representative in Congress { HONBLE. ELBRIDGE GEARY had forty-one Votes
HONBLE. JOSEPH B VARNUM had Twelve votes
GENL. WILLIAM HULL. ESQR. had—Eight votes

[311.] Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston at the Publick meeting-House in Said Town on Monday the second day of March 1789 then & there —

1st To choose Selectmen Collectors and such Other Town Officers as the Law requires —

2d. To Stipulate and agree with the Collectors upon the Price of Collecting Taxes —

3d To hear the Town Treasurers Accounts and act thereon

4th. To hear the Town Creditors Accounts and act thereon

5th. To know the minds of the Town whether thier Swine shall go at large the Year ensewing —

6th To know the minds of the Town whether they will repair thier High-ways by a rate the Year ensewing and if so to grant money therefor

7 To hear and act upon a list Prepared for the Jury Box

8 To grant Such a Sum of money as Shall appear to be Nessessary and expedient to be appropriated for Discharging the Debts of the Town and act any matter or thing relative thereto —

9th To hear the report of the Committee relative to Looking

out one or more Places for Buring Ground and make all Nessessary Provision for Purchasing the same —

10th To hear all the requests that may be made relative to the Abatement of Taxes and act thereon or act any thing relative to the matter —

11 To know the minds of the Inhabitants of the Town wether they will empower and Direct thier Treasurer to borrow the Sum of fifty Pounds for thier use and give his Obligation in behalf of the Town therefor —

12 To know the minds of the Town whether they will Provide a Womans School two months in the Different parts of the Town or act any thing relative to the matter —

13 To know the minds of the Town whether they will take under their Consideration the School-Housen upon the [312.] North side of the Town and appoint a Committee to examin them and report thier Opinion whether it is best to repair them or build them a New or act any thing relative to the Matter —

Capt. Isaac Jones *Chosen Moderator of Said Meeting* —

Selectmen	Capt Isaac Jones Messrs: Thads. Spring Matthew Hobbs Joseph Russell John Coburn
Town Clerk	Isaac Hobbs sworn
Town Treasurer	Joseph Russell Sworn
Constable and Collectors —	Amos Biglow — Abraham Harrington Nathan Fisk Sole Constable and Collector—at four Pence pr Pound for Collecting—(Sworn) — —
Assessors —	Messrs. Nathan Hobbs, Thads. Spring, and John Coburn, Sworn
Wardens —	messrs. Abijah Jones Thad Pierce and Nathan Fisk

Surveyors of highways & Collectors { Cap^T. Estes How, Sam^LL Green, William Bogle, John Stratton and William Hobbs — all Sworn —

Tythingmen Mess^RS. Micah Warren and Daniel Stratton

Hogreaves Mess^RS. Samuel Fisk and James Cogswell — Sworn

Preserver of Deer Mess^RS. Eben^R : Brackett & Hez^H. Wyman

Field Drivers Mess^RS. Stephen Harrington & Sam^LL Lamson ju^R :

Fence Vewirs Mess^RS. Nathan Fisk & Matthew Hobbs Sworn

Sealers of Leather Mess^RS. Abr^M : Harrington and Tho^S. Warren Sworn

Surveyors of Lumber Mess^RS. Daniel Stratton and Tho^S. Rand

Surveyor of Hemp Cap^T. Isaac Jones Sworn

To take care of the Meeting House } Ezra Fisk at thirty Shillings p^r Annum

1 Voted to Accept the Town Treasurers Account as exhibeted —

2^d Voted that Messrs. Joseph Russell Enoch Greenleaf & Sam^ll. Fisk be a Comittee to examin the accounts respceting a claim for a Ballence Due to M^rs. Woodward on account of Wood and report at the Adjournment of this Meeting —

[313.] 3^d. Voted to allow the following accounts — viz

To m^r. John Coburn his Acc^t. in full for making Taxes from Ap^r. 1788 to March 1789 Two Pounds Eleven Shillings & Six Pence —

To m^r Thad^s. Spring his acc^t. in full for making the Town & County Tax Jan^ry. 1789 Eighteen Shillings —

To M^r. Nathan Fisk for Warning seven Town Meetings at 4/ and Salery for Serving Constable twelve Shillings which is Two Pounds —

4th. Voted that the Swine well regulated may go at large untill the first Day of Septr. next —

5th. Voted to grant the Sum of one Hundred Pounds to be

Worked out on the highways at four Pence P^{r}. for man or Team —

6th. Voted that the Treasurer be Directed to call upon all the Delinquint Surveyors of High-ways & Collectors for the Year Past to make up thier Acc^{ts}. With him by the first day of July next, and if any or either of them Should fail so doing to Pursue Such measures as is by Law in that case made and Provided —

7 Voted to accept of the List as Prepared for the Jury Box

8th. Voted that this meeting be Adjourned to Monday the Ninth Day of March Currant a 2 o,Clock P. M:

Meet According to Adjournment

1st. Voted that the Committee relative to Looking out one or more places for Buring ground be Continued and report at the Annual Fall Meeting —

2^{d} Voted to abate the Taxes of David Brackett in Mr Nathan Fisks lists the Sum of five Shillings & five Pence —

3^{d}. Voted that m^{r} Sam^{ll}. Livermore be Permitted to draw out of the Treasurey the Value of the Ballence of the Taxes of Enos Wheelar remaing in his hand — to be replaced as Soon as they may be Collected

[314.] 4th Voted that m^{r} Sam^{ll}. Livermore Collector retain in his hands the Value of Benj^{a}. Pierces Taxes that are due on his Lists untill the further Order of the Selectmen —

5th Voted that m^{r} Sam^{ll} Livermore Collector draw out of the Treasurey the Sum of twenty Seven Shillings and four Pence on acc^{t}. of John Pierces Taxes to be replaced as Soon as they may be Collected —

6th Voted that m^{r} Josiah Steadman Collector draw out of the Treasury Sixteen Shillings & eleven Pence on acc^{t}: of Elijah Allens Taxes to be replaced as Soon as they may be Collected —

7th Voted that m^{r} Isaac Flagg Collector draw out of the Treasurey the Ballence due upon his lists against James Stimson to replace the Same as Soon as they may be Collected —

8th. Voted that the Value of the Taxes hereafter named be

retained in the hands of m^{r} Isaac Flagg Collector untill the farther order of the Selectmen

viz. Josiah Harringtons Taxes three Pounds eleven Shillings & five Pence

Elisha Gibbs,s Taxes one Pound Nine Shillings & nine pence

James Farrer,s Taxes two Shillings & Seven Pence —

Nath^{ll}. Parmenters Taxes eight Shillings and two pence three farthings

9th Voted that Messrs. Isaac Hobbs Estes How & John Coburn be a Committee to examin the Acc^{ts}. and papers relative to Capt. Jones as the head of Class and m^{r}. Jonas Pierce as a Collector and exhibet thier opinion of the matter to the Town Treasurer —

10th Voted that m^{r}. Joseph Russell Town Treasurer be and he is hereby empowered and Directed to Borrow the Sum of Fifty Pounds of the Treasurer of Harvard Colledge for the use of the Town of Weston and give his Obligation in behalf of the Town therefor

11th the twelveth Article in the warrent Past in the Negative —

12th Voted that Messrs. Thad^{s}. Spring Thos. Rand and Deacon Samuell Fisk be a Committee to examin the School Housen upon the North Side of the Town and Consider whether it is best to repair Said School houses or Build them anew and report thier opinion relative thereto to the Town at thier next meeting to transact Town affairs

the meeting was then Disolved

[315.] Att a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on monday the Sixth day of April 1789 at the Publick Meeting-House in Said Town to bring in thier Votes for Governour Lieu^{t}. Governour and five Senators Agreeably to the Consitution of this Common-wealth — the Votes were as followeth. viz

For Governor { Exel^{cy}. John Hancock had fifty-nine votes
Honble. James Bowdoin had Twenty-eight
Honble. Benj^{a}. Lincoln had one

For L^{t}. Governor	HON^{BLE}. SAMUEL ADAMS had forty Votes HON^{BLE}. BENJ^{A} LINCOLN had forty-Six
Senators and Councilors	EBEN^{R} BRIDGE ESQ^{R}. had Seventy-eight votes JOSEPH B. VARNUM ESQ^{R}. had Seventy Seven NATH^{LL} GORHAM ESQ^{R}. had forty Six JOSEPH CURTIS ESQ^{R}. had forty three WALTER M^{C}.FARLIN ESQ^{R}. thirty-eight JOSEPH HOSMER ESQ^{R}. had thirty-Seven ELEAZER BROOKS ESQ^{R}. had thirty Six ISAAC STARNS ESQ^{R}. had thirty four JOHN BROOKS ESQ^{R}. had three ABR^{M}. FULLER ESQ^{R}. had two

The Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified Agreeably to the Constitution of this Common-wealth being Legally Assembled at the Publick meeting house in S^{d}. Town on monday the eleventh day of may 1789 did then and there elect and Depute CAP^{T}. ISAAC JONES to represent the Inhabitants of Said Town in the General Court of this Common-wealth the ensewing year —

[316.] Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on the eleventh day of may 1789 then and there —

1 To Choose a moderator of Said meeting

2^{d} To know the minds of whether they will Direct thier Treasurer to borrow the Sum of Sixty Pounds of Honble. Francis Dana Esqr. for the use of the Town of Weston — and give his Obligation in behalf of Said Town therefor or act any thing that relates to the matter —

3^{d} To grant Such a sum of money as shall be Judged Nessessary & Expedient to pay the Just Debts of the Town or act any thing relative to the matter

4 To know the minds of the Town whether they will Provide a womans School two months in the Different parts of the Town as usal or act anything relative to the matter —

1 CAP^{T}. ISAAC JONES Choosen moderator of Said meeting

2 Voted that m^{r} Joseph Russell Treasurer of the Town of

Weston be and he is hereby empowered and Diricted to Borrow the Sum of Sixty Pounds of the Honble. Francis Dana Esqr for the use of the Town of Weston afore Said, and give his Obligation in behalf of Said Town therefor —

3 Voted that the third Article be Passed over —

4th. The fourth Article Passed in the Negative —

The Meeting was then Disolved

Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on the third day of Sepr. 1789 at the Publick meeting-House in Said Town at two of the Clock in the Afternoon then & there

1st. to Choose a Moderator of Said meeting —

2^{d}. to grant the Sum of Ninty Pounds to pay the Rev^{d} m^{r} Sam^{ll} Kendall his Sallery. for one Year next Succeeding the fifth day of November 1789 —

3 To Provide Twenty Cords of Wood for the Rev^{d} m^{r} Sam^{ll}. Kendall for the ensewing year agreeably to what was Stipulated with him —

[317.] 4th To know the minds of the Town whether they will Provide two months School in the Different parts of the Town as Usal or act any thing relative to the matter —

5th To the minds of the Town whether they will Provide a womans School two two or more months in each of the Different School Houses in Town or act any thing relative to the matter

6th To grant such a Sum of money as Shall appear to be Nessessary and expedient for the Support of Schooling and other usal & incidental Charges of the Town —

7th To hear the Town Treasurers Accounts and act thereon

8 To hear the Town Creditors Accounts and act thereon

9th. To hear all reasonable requests relative to the abatement of Taxes and act thereon or act anything relative to the Matter

10th. To hear the report of thier Committee relative to looking out one or more Places for buring ground and make all Nessessary Provision for Purchasing the Same or act any thing relative thereto

11th. To hear the report of thier Committee relative to Inspecting the School Houses on the North side of the Town and act thereon or act any thing relative to the matter —

12th. To grant Such a Sum of money as Shall appear to be Nessessary and expedient for Paying the Just Debts of the Town or act any thing that relates thereto —

13th. To know the minds of the Town whether they will appoint and empower a Committee to answer and Defend a memorial filed against the Town of Weston by Nathll. Nutting of Concord for the Support of Ruth the wife of Phinehas Child and also to Prosecute an Action brought by the Said Phinehas against the Said Nathll Nutting or act any matter or thing that relates to a Settlement with the Said Nathll Nutting in behalf of Said Phinehas Child —

[318.] 14th To know the minds of the Town whether they will grant the Center District two months reading & Writing School in Addition to what has been usal for the ensewing Year —

15th To hear the request of mr Isreal Whittemore relative to money Loaned to the Town Belonging to Rebecca Whittemore whereby the Said Rebecca Sustained great loss which he will be able to Demonstrate, — and as he was Guardian for the Said Rebecca Prays an Allowance therefor in behalf of the Said Rebecca —

1st. Capt. Isaac Jones Choosen Moderator of Said Meeting

2d. Voted to grant the Sum of Ninty Pounds to Pay the Revd mr Samll. Kendall his Sallery for one Year from & after the fifth day of Novr. 1789 —

3d Voted that Capt. Jona. Fisk mr John Coburn and Capt. Matthew Hobbs be a Committee to Provide Twenty Cords of Wood for the Revd mr. Samll Kendall for the ensewing Year

4 Voted to grant two months Schooling in the Different parts of the Town as Usal —

5 Voted to grant the Sum of one Hundred & fifty Pounds ,and Resolved that the same be Appropriated to the Payment of the Just Debts of the Town, to be Immediately Assessed, and Collected in Specie by the first Day of Decer next —

6th. Voted that Capt. Isaac Jones Mr Thads. Spring and mr. Joseph Russell be a Committee to answer & Defend a Memorial

filed against the Town of Weston by Nath^{ll}. Nutting of Concord for the Support of Ruth the wife of Phinehas Child — and also to Prosecute an Action brought by the Said Phinehas against the Said Nath^{ll}. Nutting or act any matter or thing that relates to a Settlement with the Said Nutting in behalf of the Said Phinehas Child —

[319.] 7th. Voted that the Center Shall have a Reading & Writing School two months for the year ensewing in Addition to what hath been usal —

8 Voted that Messrs. Thad^{s}. Spring Joseph Russell & Capt. Matthew Hobbs be a Committee to take up the matter relative to the request of m^{r} Isreal Whittemore as Sett forth in the last Article of the Warrent — and report at the Adjournment of this Meeting —

9th. Voted that this Meeting be Adjourned to the last monday of this Instant Sepr at Two O,Clock in the afternoon —

Meet according to Adjournment

1st. Voted that the Town Treasurer,s Accounts be Allowed as Exhibeted —

2^{d}. Voted to allow m^{r} Sam^{ll}. Pratt Collector for his Service in Warning Town Meetings and Sallery as a Constable two Pounds

3^{d}. Voted to allow m^{r} Nathan Hobbs his Acc^{t}. for making Taxes Twelve Days & an half — Two Pounds Ten Shillings —

4 Voted to allow m^{r} Thad^{s}. Spring the Sum of one Pound twelve Shillings for his Services as an Assessor —

5 Voted to allow m^{r}. Amos Fisk his Acc^{t}. as exhibeted for Boarding and nursing m^{r} Thos Pierce in his last Sickness — Deducting one Dollar to Satisfie m^{r} Abijah Jones in Attempting to remove Said Pierce to his House Agreeable to Contract —

6th. Voted to allow m^{r}. Isreal Whittemore for his Trouble relative To M^{rs}. Pepper and family (who came from Canada in 1777) the Sum of thirty Shillings —

7th. Voted to allow Enoch Greenleaf Esqr. for Articles Supplied at the Ordination of Mr Kendall and Omitted in a former Settlement — the Sum of Twenty Shillings —

8 Voted the Sum of one Hundred & fifty Pounds be granted to Defray the Usall & Incedental Charges of the Town —

[320.] 9th Voted that the Treasurer be, and he is here by Directed to take a Note of Mr. Benja. Pierce (in behalf of the Town) for the Sum of the Taxes now due to the Town in the lists Committed to mr Samll. Livermore to Collect, and to Discharge the Said Samuel from Collecting the Same —

10 Voted to abate all the Taxes now Due from mr. Henry Bond in mr. Samuel Livermore,s lists —

11 Voted to abate the following Taxes in mr Samll. Trains lists —

viz Benja. Cleaveland eleven Shillings & eight Pence —
James Jones Eight Shillings & eight Pence —
John Smith Eight Shillings & eight Pence —
Samll Sheapard two Shillings & eleven pence
Nathan Rice fourteen Shillings —

12th: Voted to accept the report of the Committee relative to looking out one or more Places for Buring ground — the Purport of which was that the South east Corner of Capt. Jones,s field east from his house would be the most Convienint Place Obtainable — to have a lane from the great Road three rods wide runing about Twelve Roads upon the east end of Said field then to come on to the Buring ground, which to-geather with the lane abovementioned is to Contain one Acre and half and to be in Such form as Shall be Most Convienent for a Buring Ground and least to the Disadvantage of Capt. Jones the Premises being Valued at Twenty Pounds — which was Consented to by Capt. Jones he likewise agreeing to make one half the fence —

And to Accomadate the South Part of the Town mr Increase Leadbetter being in Town-meeting Did agree to Sell half an Acre of his field adjoining the road the Town to make one Division wall Said to be about Ten rods, and Pay him five Dollars as a Consideration for the Same — which was likewise Agreed to by the Town

13 Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee to take Deeds of the above Described Premises and see to fenceing and Preparing the Same for use —

14 Voted that the Committee relative to m^r Isreal Whittemores affair be Continued and report at the next anual Town meeting —

the meeting was then Disolved

[321.] **1790**

Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston at the Publick Meeting-house in Said Town on monday 1st. day of march 1790 then & there —

1st. to Choose a moderator of Said Meeting —

2^d to Chose Selectmen Collectors and Such other Town Officers as the Law Directs

3^d to Stipulate and agree with the Collectors upon the price of Collecting Taxes —

4 To hear the Town Treasures Acc^ts. and act thereon —

5 To hear the Town Creditors accounts & act thereon —

6 To know the minds of the Town whether thier Swine shall go at Large the year ensewing —

7 To know the minds of the Town whether they will repair thier high ways by a Rate the Year ensewing and if so to grant money therefor or act any thing relative to the matter —

8 To hear and act upon a list prepared for the Jury Box

9th To know the minds of the Town whether they will Provide a womens School two months in each of the School Housen in Town or act any thing relative to the Matter —

10 To grant Such a Sum of money as Shall be Nessessary and Expedient to be appropriated for Discharging the Debts of the Town —

11 To hear all the request that may be made relative to the abatement of Taxes, and act thereon or act any thing relative to the matter —

12 To hear the report of the Committee relative to the request of m^r Isreal whittemore as Sett forth in the last article of the Warrent for a Town meeting in Sepr. y^e. 3^d 1789 and act theron

13th : To hear the request of Capt. Isaac Jones and m^r Jonathan Underwood relative to a Bond now in the Hands of m^r.

Joseph Russell Town Treasurer and act thereon or act any Thing relative to the matter —

[322.] Mr. Thads Spring *chosen moderator of Said Meeting*

Selectmen { Thads. Spring, Matthew Hobbs, Joseph Russell, John Coburn, Amos Biglow }

Town Clerk Isaac Hobbs

Town Treasurer — Joseph Russell

Constables and Collectors { Nathan Fiske, Joseph Nichols jun. } Sworn and agreed to Collect the Taxes at one penney three farthings pr. Pound

NB: mr. Joel Smith and mr Micah warren were Chosen Constables and the above named Persons accepted in thier room

Assessors Messrs. John Coburn, Thads Spring and Nathll. Allen

Wardens Messrs. Wm. Ward, Alexr: Smith & Eben.r Hobbs

Surveyors of high ways & Collectors { Messrs Joel Smith, Josiah Starr, Joseph Nichols jur. Jonas Pierce jur. & Ebenr. Hobbs }

Tythingmen Messrs. Alpheus Biglow, Joseph Seaverns & Samll. Fiske

Hogreaves Messrs. Caleb Haywood & Abrm Harrington

Preserver of Deer Messrs. David Starns & Samll. Fiske

Field Drivers Dean. Samll. Fiske & Wm. Bogle

Fence Viewers Messrs. Elisha Stratton & Eli Jones

Sealers of Leather Messrs. Jacob Sanderson Abrm. Harrington & Jona. Spring

Surveyors of Lumber Messrs. Benja. Rand & Daniel Stratton

Surveyor of Hemp Mr. Abrm. Hewes

To take care of the Meeting house { Mr. Ezra Fiske at twenty-Seven Shillings pr. Annum }

1 Voted that thier Swine may go at large being well regulated untill the first day of Sepr. Next —

2 Voted to grant the Sum of one Hundred Pounds to be worked out at four pence p^{r}. Hour for man or Team to repair the High ways the year ensewing —

[323.] 3 Voted that the List of Jurors as exhibeted and read in the meeting be accepted —

4 Voted that a Womans School be Provided two months in the each of the Different School-Houses in Town —

The Meeting was then Adjourned untill the fifth Day of April next at three o,Clock P.-M.

Meet According to Adjournment

1st. The Town Treasurers Accounts read and Accepted

2^{d} The following Accounts were allowed — viz

To m^{r}. Eben^{r}. Brackett his Acc^{t}. in full for Providing and affixing a Window in the Publick Meeting House three Pounds

To m^{r} Nathan Hobbs for making Taxes one Pound —

To m^{r} John Coburn for making Taxes &c two pounds Sixteen Shillings —

To m^{r} Thad^{s}. Spring for making Taxes one Pound four Shillings

To m^{r} Nathan Fisk for Serving Constable and Warning Seven Town Meetings the Sum of four Pounds —

3 The following Taxes Abated

				£	S	D
Viz In Capt. Hows list	Jon^{a}. Bullard	7/4	.	0	13	10
	Nath^{ll} Jackson	6/6				
In Nathan Fisk list	Sam^{ll}. Moore	6/6	.	1	9	11¼
	Henry Bond	16/3				
	Widow Bond	7/2¼				
In Saml Trains list	Increas Leadbetter	33/2¼	.	5	0	4¾
	Joshua Peirce	30/4¼				
	Jer^{h}: Goodhew	33/5¼				
	Joab Leadbetter	2/10				
Total				£7	4	2

NB. the Persons Named in Mr Trains list was abated on Account of thier being Taxed to the minister —

[324.] 4th Voted that Capt. Estes How Artemas Ward Esqr. Deaⁿ. Isaac Hobbs be a Committee to hear & examin into all the Accounts & recepts that may be Produced towards canceling a Bond that mr Joseph Russell Town Treasurer holds in behalf of the Town of Weston against mr Jonathan Underwood & Capt. Isaac Jones, and to adjust the Same equatibly and report to the Town the first Town Meeting Proper for that Purpose

The Meeting was then Disolved

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on Monday the fifth Day of April 1790. at the Publick Meeting House in Said Town — to bring in thier Votes for Governour-Lieut. Governour and five Councilours and Senators agreeably to the Constitution of this Common-wealth the Votes were as followeth. viz —

for Governor	HONBLE. JOHN HANCOCK ESQR had fifty Votes
	HONBLE. JAMES BOWDOIN ESQR. had Sixteen Votes
for Lt. Governor	HONBLE. SAMUEL ADAMS ESQR had forty Votes
	HONBLE. THOS. RUSSELL ESQR. had Ninteen Votes
Councilors and Senators	EBENR. BRIDGE ESQR. had fifty three Votes
	JOSEPH B. VARNUM ESQR. had fifty-two Votes
	NATHLL GORHAM ESQR. had fifty Votes
	JOSEPH CURTIS ESQR. had forty-two Votes
	JOSEPH HOSMER ESQR. had forty Votes
	ELEAZER BROOKS ESQR. had twelve Votes
	SAMUEL DEXTER ESQR. had Six Votes
	ISAAC STARNS ESQR. had three Votes
	ABRM. FULLER ESQR. had one Vote
	MR. EDWARD BRINDLEY had one Vote

at a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston duly Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs. on monday the fifth day of Apr. 1790 at four o,Clock in the after noon — then & there —

1st To Choose a Moderator of Said meeting —

[325.] 2d To hear the petition of Artemas Ward Esqr. and Others relative to building a Number of Pews in the Meet-

ing-House wher Some of hindmost Seats Now Stand, and to apply the Proceeds of the Sale thereof to pay the Debts of the Town and act thereon or act any thing relative to the matter —

1st. Mr Thads Spring *Choosen Moderator of Said Meeting*

2d Voted that the Meeting be Adjourned to the tenth day of may at three o,Clock in the after noon —

Meet According to Adjournment

3d On the Petition of Artemas Ward Esqr. and Others the Question being Put to know the minds of the Town whether they will so far Comply with the Prayer of Sd. Petition as to remove the two Hindmost Seats on each Side the broad Alley and build Pews in the place thereof and apply the proceeds of the Sale or Loan of the Same to Discharge the Debts of the Town — which passd. in the Affirmative

4th Voted that Deacon Samll. Fisk Deacon Isaac Hobbs and mr Joel Smith be a Committee to build the Pews above Mentioned —

The Meeting was then Desolved

The Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified Agreeably to the Constitution of this Common-wealth being Legally Assembled at the Publick Meeting-House in Said Town on monday the tenth Day of may 1790 did then & there elect and Depute Capt. Isaac Jones to represent the Inhabitants afore Said in the General Court of this Common-wealth the Year ensewing —

[326.] The Inhabitants of the Town of Weston being Duly Quallified and Legally Assembled at the Publick-meeting House in Said Town on monday the forth day of October 1790 for the purpose of bringing in thier Votes for a representative in Congress for the District of the County of Middlesix. the Votes were as followeth — viz.

for Representatives in Congress { Honble: Elbridge Geary Esqr. had fifty Seven Votes
Honble. Nathll. Gorham Esqr. had Seven Votes }

Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on Tuesday the 21st. day of Sepr. 1790 at one o,Clock in the after-noon then & there —

1st. To choose a moderator of Said meeting —

2 To grant the Sum of Ninty Pounds to pay the Revd Mr Samuel Kendall his Sallery for one year next Succeeding the fifth day of November 1790 —

3 To Provide twenty Cords of wood for the Revd Mr Samll. Kendall for the ensewing year agreeably to what was Stipulated with him —

4 To Know the minds of the Town whether they will Provide two Months reading & writing School in the Different parts of the Town as Usall or act anything relative to the Matter —

5 To know the minds of the Town weather they will provide a womans School two months in each of the Different School-Housen in Town or act any thing relative to the Matter —

6th. To grant Such a Sum of money as Shall appear to be Nessessary & Expedient for the Support of Schooling & Other usal and Incidental Charges of the Town —

7th To hear the Town Treasurers Accounts and act thereon

8 To grant Such a Sum of money as Shall appear to be Nessessary & Expedient for paying the Just Debts of the Town — or act any thing that relates thereto —

[327.] 9th. To hear the Petition of Thos Rand and Others — the Prayer of Which is that the Town would reconsider a Vote passed at a former meeting for removing the two hindmost Seats on each Side the broad Alley, and building Pews in the place thereof —

10th. To hear the Town Creditors Accounts and Act thereon

11 To hear all the resonable requests for the Abatement of Taxes and act Thereon, or act any thing relative to the Matter

12th. To hear the report of the Committee appointed to hear & Examin into all the Accounts & reciepts that may be Produced toward Canciling a Bond mr Joseph Russell Town Treasurer holds in behalf of the Town of Weston against mr Jona Underwood and Capt. Isaac Jones —

13 To know the minds of The Town whether they will Appoint an Agent or agents to Defend an Action Commenced against the Town in behalf of one John Norcross — or act any thing relative thereto —

14 To know the minds of the Town whether they will appoint Artemas Ward Esqr and m^{r}. Joseph Russell Agents to Prosecute a memorial filed against the Town of Natick by Order of the Selectmen —

1st. M^{R}: Thaddeus Spring *Chosen Moderator of Said meeting*

2^{d} Voted to grant the Sum of Ninty Pounds to Pay the Rev^{d} m^{r} Sam^{ll}. Kendall his Sallery for one year next Succeeding the fifth Day of November one Thousand Seven Hundred & Ninty —

3. Voted that Mr Samuel Livermore Deacon Samuel Fisk & Mr Uriah Gregory be a Committee to provide twenty Cords of Wood for the Revd Mr Samuel Kendall for the year ensewing —

[328.] 4th Voted to grant two months reading & writing School in the Different parts of the Town as usall —

5 Voted to grant the Sum of One Hundred & Eighty Pounds to Defray the expenc of Schooling & other usall & Indental Charges —

6 the Petition of M^{r}. Thos Rand and Others relative to reconsidering a Vote passed at a former meeting for building four Pewes — passed in the Negative —

7 Voted to grant the Sum of one Hundred Pounds to be appropriated for the payment of W^{m}. Fisk Esqr. — the Colledge Treasurer and the Interest on the Debts of the Town —

8th Voted that the meeting be Adjourned to the first monday of October Next at four o,Clock in the afternoon —

Meet according to Adjournment

1 Voted to accept the Town Treasurers Accounts as Exhibeted

2 Voted to abate all the Taxes that m^{r}. Samuel Seaverns hath been Assessed to the Minister Since the year one Thousand Seven Hundred & Eighty Six —

3d Voted that Artemas Ward Esqr be and he is hereby Appointed & Constitued an Agent in behalf of the Inhabitants of The Town of Weston with full Power in behalf of Said inhabitants to Defend an Action Commenced against Said Inhabitants in behalf of one John Norcross

4th Voted that Artemas Ward Esqr. and mr Joseph Russell be and they are hereby Appointed agents with full Power in behalf of Said Town. to Prosecute a Memorial filed against the Town of Natick —

5th. Voted that the Committee relative to mr Underwood,s & Capt Jones affair be Continued — and they are hereby requested to report at the next Town Meeting —

6 Voted to Allow Mr. Joseph Russell three pounds & Ten Shillings it being his Acct. in full for receving the Sum of Six Hundred & forty Pounds Seven pence one farthing in his Capacity of Treasurer of the Town of Weston from March 1789 to March 1790 —

[329.] 7 On the Abatement of Taxes — Voted to abate as followeth

		£	S	d	q
In mr Samll Pratts List	Nathan Rice	0	11	6	3
	John Whittemore . . .	0	6	10	0
In mr. Samll. Trains list.	David Bent	1	14	3	2
Total		£2	12	8	1

8th. On the request of Mr. Daniel Eaton

Voted that the respective Collectors are hereby Directed not to Arrest the Body of Said Daniel Ecaton for Taxes untill the fifteenth Day of Febuary next —

The meeting was then Disolved

1791

at a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on the Sixth day of Janry. 1791 then and there

1st. To Choose a Moderator of Said Meeting —

2 To know the minds of the Town in what maner they will Despose of the four Pews lately built and make Provision therefor — or act any thing relative thereto —

3d To hear the Town Creditors Accounts and act thereon

4 To know the minds of the Town whether they will Dispose of the old Continantal money now in the Treasury and (if so) to make Such Provision therefor as they Shall Think Proper — or act any thing relative to the Matter

1st Mr. Thads. Spring *Chosen Moderator of Said meeting*

2d Voted that Messrs. Thads. Spring, Joel Smith, Samll Lamson Amos Biglow and Daniel Stratton be a Committee Vested with full Power to Dispose of the four Pews lately built, in the way and manner they shall Judge to be for the best Interest of the Town — and to deposet in the hands of the Town Treasurer the Proceeds of the the Sale or loan of Said Pews — and lay thier proceedings before the Town at thier Annual Meeting in March Next —

[330.] 3 Voted to allow the following Accounts viz

To mr Thads Spring for his Services as an Assessor the Sum two Pound four Shillings	£2	4	0
To mr Nathll Allen for his Services as an Assessor the Sum of Two Pounds four Shillings	2	4	0
To Dean Isaac Hobbs for Procuring Materials and building four Pews in the Publick Meeting-House agreeable to a Vote of the Town Apr 5th. 1790 the Sum of Eleven Pounds Eight Shillings & 4d	11	8	4
To Deacon Samll. Fisk his acct. in full for his Services and expencs as a Manager of Watertown-Bridge Lottery the Sum of Seven Pounds Sixteen Shillings . .	7	16	0
Total	£23	12	4

4 Voted that Messrs. Nathan Hobbs, Thads. Spring & Joel Smith be a Committee to Seat the Inhabitants in the Publick Meeting House agreeably to the Rules Practiced upon of later Years and exhibet a list of thier Proceedings to the Town at thier next Annual Meeting

5 Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee to Dispose of the Old Contanantal money now in the Treasury if they Shall think it expedient and for the Interest of the Town and Deposit the Proceeds of the Same in the Treasurey

The Meeting was then Disolved

Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on monday the first day of march 1791 — then & there

1t. To Choose Selectmen Collectors and such Other Town Officers as the Law Directs —

2 To Stipulate & agree with the Collectors upon the price of Collecting Taxes —

3d To hear the Town Treasurers Acct^s. and act thereon —

4th. To hear the Town Creditors Accounts and act thereon

5 To the minds of the Town whether thier Swine shall go at large the year ensewing —

[330.] 6 To know the minds of the Town whether they will repair thier High ways by a rate the year ensewing & if so to grant money therefor —

7th. To hear and Act upon a list prepared for the Jury Box

8th. To know the minds of the Town whether they will Provid a womins School, two months in each of the School Housen in Town or act any thing relative to the matter —

9th. To grant such a sum of money as shall appear to be Nessessary and expedient, to be Appropriated for Discharging the Debts of the Town — or act any thing relative to the matter

10th. To hear all the requests that may be made rerative to the Abatement of Taxes, and act thereon or act any thing relative to the matter —

11th. To hear the report of the Committee relative to the request of Mr Isreal Whittemore as Sett forth in the last Article of a Warrent for a Town-meeting on the 3d. day of Sepr. 1789

12th. To hear the request of Capt. Isaac Jones & Mr Jona: Underwood relative to a Bond now in the Hands of mr: Joseph Russell Town Treasurer & act thereon or act any thing relative thereto

Mr. Thaddeus Spring *Chosen Moderator*

Selectmen	Thads. Spring Matthew Hobbs Joseph Russell Amos Biglow Joel Smith
Town Clerk	Isaac Hobbs
Town Treasurer	Isaac Hobbs

[331.] Constables and Collectors { Cap^T. Joseph Nichols & m^R. Nathan Fiske

Assessors Mess^RS. Thad^S. Spring, Nathan Hobbs & Nath^LL. Allen

Surveyors of High ways { Col^O. Sam^LL Lamson Mess^RS. Sam^IL. Cobb, Nathan Hagar, Nathan Fisk & Abijah Jones

Tythingmen { Mess^RS. Elisha Stratton, Abijah Whitney & Jonathan Spring

Hogreaves Mess^RS. Daniel Stratton & Nathan Hagar

Preserver of Deer Mess^RS. Joseph Stone & John Lamson

Field Drivers Mess^R. Nath^LL. Allen

Fence Veiwers Mess^RS. Abr^M. Harrington & Isaac Flagg

Sealers of Leather Mess^RS. Tho^S. Warren & Jon^A. Spring

Surveyors of Lumber Mess^RS. Sam^LL. Livermore & Daniel Stratton

Surveyor of Hemp M^R. Eph^M. Livermore

To take care of the Meeting House { Ezra Fisk a 27/ P^r. Annum

1st. The Town Treasures Accounts were read & Accepted

2^d. Voted to allow Capt. Joseph Nichols for Serving Constable for the Town 12/ — for warning five Town meetings a 4/. 20/ . . . . . £1—12—0

3^d. { Voted To allow m^r Nathan Fisk for Serving Constable 12/ — for warning five Town meetings 20/ 1—12—0

4 Voted to accept the list Prepared for the Jury Box

5th. Voted to allow m^r Joseph Russell for his Services as Treasurer from March 1790 to March 1791

6th. { Voted to allow m^r John Coburn for his Services as an Assessor for the year past —

The meeting was then Adjourned to monday the 14 Instant at two o,Clock in the after-noon —

[332.] Meet according to Adjournment

1st. { that the Additional Acc^t. of the Town Treasurer as Exhibeted and read be Accepted —

2d. { that the Swine being well regulated may go at large untill the first Day of Sepr. next —

3d. { Voted to grant the Sum of One Hundred Pounds to be worked — out on the High-ways at 4d. pr. Hour for man or Team —

4th. the Article relative to womans passed in the Negative

5th. the article relative to granting money passed over —

6th Voted to abate the following Taxes —

	£	S	d
Viz in mr. Nathan Fisk,s list Phinehas Brown . . .	0	15	3
in mr. Samll. Pratts list — Wm. Bogle	0	10	6½
in mr Samll. Train,s list	0	6	9
in mr. Isaac Flaggs list what remains unpaid Said to be about 18/ or 20/			

7th The Report of the Committee relative to the Sale of four Pews read and Accepted which is as followeth

viz The Committee appointed by the Town to Dispose of four Pews lately built beg leave to report —

That we have Sold them to the Persons hereafter Named that is to say. The Pew up the Alley on the left hand Adjoining to mr Joseph Russells Pew to Artemas Ward Esqr. for the Sum of Twenty-Nine Pounds fourteen Shillings The Pew up the Alley on the Right hand to mr. Eli Jones for the Sum of Twenty-Seven Pounds Eighteen Shillings The Pew Adjoining to Capt. Fisk and mr. Eli Jones,s Pews To Messrs. Nathan and Micah Warren for the Sum of Twenty two pounds ten Shillings The Pew Adjoining to the Pew of Artemas ward Esqr. & Mr. Amos Harington to mr Nathan Hagar for the Sum of Twenty-Pounds —

[333.] and have Recd. full payment of each of the respective Persons above Described — The Total amount of which is One Hundred Pounds and two Shillings and have Deposeted the Proceeds thereof in the hands of mr. Joseph Russell Town Treasurer —

WESTON march 7th. 1791 THADs. SPRING, JOEL SMITH, SAMLL LAMSON, AMOS BIGLOW, DANIEL STRATTON. } Committee

8th. Relative to the report of Mr. Underwoods Petition the Question being put to know the minds of the Town whether they will Cancell the Bond referrd. to therein, and it Passed in the Negative, and Ordered that Mr. Underwood be Notified to attend at the Adjournment of this Meeting that may have Oppertunity to Speak upon the Subject

9th. Voted that the late Collectors viz Capt. Joseph Nichols & Mr. Nathan Fisk Shall recive two Pence One farthing on the Pound for Collecting the Special Tax in Addition to one penny farthing heretofore granted

10th: Voted that Deacon Samll: Fisk mr Thos. Rand & Deacon Isaac Hobbs be a Committee to view and Consider what repairs are Nessessary & expedient to be made to the Publick Meeting-House and to report —

11th. Voted that this meeting be adjourned to monday the 4th Day of April next at four O,Clock in the afternoon —

Meet According to Adjournment

1st. on the Report of the Committee relative to Mr Underwoods Petition. Voted that mr Underwood Shall have his Bond referrd. to therein given up — he giving a recipt in full of all Demands against the Town —

2 On the report of the Committee relative to the repairs of the [334.] Publick Meeting-House — Voted to Accept the report of Said Committee also Voted that the Selectmen be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to See that the repairs of the Publick meeting be made and compleated as Soon as may be Agreeably to the report of Said Committee which is as followeth — viz

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston in Town meeting Assembled

Your Committee appointed to examin & Consider what repairs are Nessessary and expedient to be made to the Publick meeting-house report

that it is the Opinion of your Committee that the back side of Said House be new Clapboarded that the Old glass be removed, and that there be new window frames and glass in the

room thereof and new window heads were needed, that the Clapboards be fastned & the whole House be put in good repair for Painting and that the same be well Painted, and that the underpining of and Steps into Said House be put in good repair —

	SAMLL FISK	Committee
	THOS RAND	
WESTON Apr. 4th. 1791	ISAAC HOBBS	

The Meeting was then Disolved

Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on monday the 4th day of April 1791 at the Publick Meeting-House in Said Town — To bring in thier Votes for Governour Lt. Governour, and five Senators Agreeably to the Constitution of this Commonwealth — the votes were as followeth

For Governour	JOHN HANCOCK ESQR JOHN LOWELL ESQR THOS. RUSSELL ESQR.
[335.] For Lt. Governour	THE HONBLE : SAMLL : ADAMS ESQR. had thirty-five Votes THE HONBLE. THOS. RUSSELL ESQR. had one

Senators and Councelours	EBENR BRIDGE ESQR.	had fifty-four Votes
	JOSEPH B. VARNUM	fifty three
	JOSEPH HOSMER	fifty-four
	ELEAZER BROOKS	thirty-two
	ISAAC STARNS	four
	SAMLL. DEXTER	twenty-eight
	MARSHALL SPRING	twenty
	JOSEPH CURTIS	twenty-two
	JONA. HALE	One
	JOSEPH BRIDGE	One

At a Legal Meeting of the InHabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified agreably to the Constitution of this Commonwealth did — on monday the Ninth day of may 1791 then & there Elect & Depute MR. AMOS BIGLOW to represent the Inhabitants

aforesaid in the General Court of this Common-wealth the Year ensewing —

Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on the Ninth day of may 1791 then & there —

1st To Choose a Moderator of Said meeting —

2d. To know the minds of the Town whether they will Direct and empower thier Treasurer to renew all Such Obligations as the Creditors of the Town may from Time to Time request and Sign Such Obligations in the name & behalf of Said Town or act any matter or thing that relates thereunto —

3d. To know the minds of the Town whether they will Provide a Women School two months in each of the Different School-Housen in Town — or act any thing relative to the matter —

1st. Mr. Thads Spring *Chosen Moderator of Said Meeting*

[336.] 2d. Voted that Isaac Hobbs Treasurer of the Town of Weston be, and he is hereby Directed and empowered to renew all the Obligations against the Town of Weston that the Creditors of Said Town may from Time to Time request — and sign the Same in the name & behalf of Said Town in his Capacity of Treasurer of Said Town —

3d. Voted that the Town will Provide a womens School three Months in the Center School-house, & two months in each of the Other School-Housen in Town — within the Course of the ensewing Summer —

The Meeting was then Disolved

Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on monday the 12th. day of Sepr. 1791 then & there

1st. To Choose a Moderator of Said Meeting —

2d: To grant the Sum of Ninty Pounds to pay the Revd Mr. Samuel Kendall his Sallery for one year next Succeeding the 5th day of Novr. 1791 —

3d. To Provide twenty Cords of wood for the Revd Mr Samuel Kendall for the year ensewing agreeably to what was Stipulated with him —

4th. To know the minds of the Town whether will Provide a reading & writing School two months in the Different parts of the Town as usal —

5 To grant Such a sum of money as Shall Appear to be Nessessary & Expedient for the Support of Schooling & Other Nessessary, usal, and incidental Charges of the Town

6 To hear the Town Treasurers Accounts & act thereon

[337.] 7th To grant such a sum of money as shall appear to be Nessessary and expedient for paying the Just Debts of the Town — or act any thing that relates thereto —

8th. To hear the Town Creditors Accounts and act thereon

9th To hear all the requests for the Abatement of Taxes and act thereon or act any thing that relates thereto —

10th. To hear the request of mr. Daniel Bemis relative to an Alteration of the Town way near the Dwelling House of Said Daniel as hath been marked by the Selectmen or act any thing that relates thereto —

11th. To know the minds of the Town whether they will appoint an agent or agents to Defend in Action or Actions that are or may be pending against the Town of Weston and make all Nessessary Preparation for the Defence of Said Actions or Act any thing relative to the matter —

12th. To hear the request of Mr Nathan Hagar & Others relative to thier building a House on the Town,s Land near the Meeting-house for thier Benefit & Conveniance on the Lords day or act any thing relative to the matter —

1st: Mr. Thads. Spring *Chosen Moderator*

2d Voted to grant the Sum of Ninty Pounds to pay the Revd Mr. Samll. Kendall his Sallery for one Year Imediatly Suceeding the fifth Day of Novr. next —

3d: Voted that Colo. Samll Lamson mr Samll Livermore and Capt. Isaac Jones be a Committee to Provide Twenty Cords of wood for the Revd Mr Samll Kendall the ensewing year —

4th. Voted to Provid two months reading & writing School in each of the Different Parts of the Town a usal —

5 Voted to grant the Sum of Two Hundred Pounds to

Defray the Usal and Incidental charges of the Town the year ensewing —

[338.] 6th. Voted To grant the Sum of one Hundred Pounds, to be Assessed & Collected and payed in to the Town Treasurer by the first day of Decer next, and is hereby appropriated to pay the Colledge Treasurer Messrs. Cotten Tufts, Stephen Hagar and Joseph Russell the Ballence due to him as Treasurer and the remainder to pay the Interest that may be due on the Obligations against the Town —

7th. Voted to grant the request of Capt. Estes How, which is that the Sum of thirty three Shillings which he was Assessed in the Ministers Tax be Discounted in full Discharge of his Account for Sundry Services done for the Town —

8th Voted To indemnify and save harmless Deacon Samuel Fisk and Mr. Joseph Russell from all Costs & Damage that may happen to them or either of them by reason of an Action brought against the Town by John Norcross of Petersham —

9th. Voted that Capt. Hobbs Deacn. Fisk & mr Jona Warren be a Commttee to examin and report relative to the request of Mr Nathan Hager & others as in the 12th. article in the warrent

10th. Voted that this Meeting be Adjourned to Monday the 17th day of Octr. next a 2 O,clock P : M :

Monday 17th. Octr. 1791 meet according to Adjournment

1st Voted to Accept the Town Treasurers Accounts as Exhibeted

2d Voted to abate the following Taxes vix

In Samll. Pratts lists Mr. Lemuel Brackett	0	13	11
In mr. Nathan Fisks Mr. Joseph Child	0	8	8

3d. { On the Petition of mr Nathan Hagar & others the Commitee reported that there was no Place Convienent for that Purpose

Voted to accept the report of the Committee —

[339.] 4 Voted that there be an Alteration of the Town way near the House of Mr Daniel Bemis, as marked by the Selectmen Provided Said Bemis make the wall on each side of sd. way — and that the Old way be Continued untill the new

way is mad Passable — and that Said Bemis have the Old way in Lieu of the new upon the above Conditions —

The Meeting was then Disolved

at a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on Monday ye 17th. day of Octr. 1791 then and there —

1st. To Choose a Moderator of Said meeting —

2^d. To hear the request of Deacon Samuel Fisk and Others and to consider and Determine whether they will Convert the three Hindmost Seats in the front Gallery in the Publick meeting-house into two large Pews for the Accommodation and Convienance of the Singers or act any thing relative to the matter —

1st. M^R. THAD^s. SPRING *Chosen moderator of Said meeting*

2^d: Voted that this meeting be Adjourned unto the next annual Town meeting in the month of March at 4 o,clock in the Afternoon —

meet according to Adjournment

And adjourned to the next Annual Fall Meetng —

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At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on monday the 5th. day of march 1792 at 12 o,clock at noon then and there

1st. To Choose a Moderator of Said meeting —

2^d. To Choose Selectmen Collectors and all Other Town Officers that the Law requires —

3^d To Stipulate and agree with Collectors upon the price of Collecting Taxes —

4th To hear the Town Treasurers Accounts and act thereon

5th. To hear the Town Creditors Accounts and act thereon

6th To know the minds of the Town whether they will repair thier High ways by a Rate the year ensewing and (if so) to grant money therefor or act any thing Relative to the matter

7th To know the minds of the Town whether thier Swine shall go at Large the Year ensewing —

8th To hear & act upon a list Prepared for the Jury Box

9th To know the minds of the Town whether they will Provide a womans School two months in each of the Different School houses in Town or act any thing relative to the matter

10th To hear all Reasonable requests that may be made relative to the Abatement of Taxes and act thereon or act any thing relative to the matter —

11th. To know the minds of the Town whether they will Choose an Overseer or over Overseers of the poor or come into any other Measure for thier Support than what hath been Usaly Practised or act any thing relative to the matter —

Mr. Thads Spring *Chosen Moderator*

Selectmen	Mr Thads Spring Capt. Matthew Hobbs Mr Amos Biglow Artemas Ward Esqr. Mr. Daniel Stratton	
[341.] Town Clerk	Isaac Hobbs	Sworn march 5th
Town Treasurer	Artemas Ward Esqr.	Sworn march 5
Constables & Collectors	Capt Joseph Nichols Mr Nathan Fisk	To have 4½d pr. £ for Collecting — and two Dollars each as Sallery—Sworn March 5th.
Assessors	Messrs. Thads. Spring. Nathan Hobbs. & Nathll. Allen	
Surveyors of High ways	Artemas Ward Esqr. Messrs. Daniel Boyles Joseph Russell Isaac Hobbs jur. Samuel Train jur.	
Tythingmen	Messrs. John Lamson David Brackett & Samuel Train jur	
Hogreaves	Messrs. Jacob Sanderson & Aaron Whittemore Sworn	
Field Drivers	Mr. Jona. Warren —	

Fence Viewers	Messrs. W^m^. Hobbs & Amos Biglow
Sealers of Leath	Messrs. Thos Warren & Josiah Hastings
Surveyors of Lumber	Messrs. Isaac Gould & Jon^a^. Warren
Surveyor of Hemp	M^r^. Samuel Livermore
Surveyor of Beef and Pork	Messrs. Nathan Hobbs & Daniel Boyles
to take care of the Meeting House	M^r^. Ezra Fisk at 27/ P^r^. Annum

3^d^. Voted to allow the Town Treasurers Accounts as Exhibeted

4th Voted to allow the Town Creditors Accounts as followeth viz

To m^r^ Thad^s^. Spring for his Services as an Assessor . .	£3	0	4
To m^r^ Nathan Hobbs for his Services as an Assessor .	2	13	0
To D^n^. Isaac Hobbs for his Services as Treasurer . .	3	12	0
To m^r^ Nathan Fiske for Serving Constable and warning Six Town Meetings	1	16	0
To m^r^ Joseph Russell Interest upon a Ballence Due to him at his final Settlement as Treasurer . .	0	15	6
To Capt Joseph Nichols for Serving Constable and warning Six Town Meetings	1	16	0
Total	£13	12	10

[342.] 5th. Voted that Messrs. Joseph Russell. Sam^ll^. Fisk & Amos Biglow be a Committee to hear Capt. Isaac Jones relative to his Account for his Services &c as one of the Managers of Watertown Bridge Lottery to Consider thereof & report to the Town —

The Meeting was then Adjourned to the 2^d^ day of April at three o,Clock PM:

Monday Ap^r^. 2^d^. meet According to Adjournment

1st. The Committee, relative to Capt. Jones^'^. Account, reported that he be alowed, for his Services, the Sum of Twelve pounds — and that if he would give the Town a full Discharge, relative to Said Lottery, that he Should be allowed Twenty

Pounds — but as Capt. Jones, Inclined to Deferr the matter, no vote was taken

2 Voted to grant the Sum of One Hundred Pounds to repair the High-ways the ensewing Year — to be worked out at 4d. pr. Hour for man or Team —

3d. the Seventh Article in the warrent relative to Liberating the Swine passed in the Negative —

4th Voted to accept of the list Prepared for the Jury box

5th. Voted to Provide a womans School in each of the Different School Housen in Town the ensewing Summer

6th. The following Taxes were Abated &c

viz in mr. Pratts list mr. Joseph Roberts minister Tax

In mr. Nathan Fiske list	mr. Joseph Roberts minister Tax mr. Ebenr. Eaton Taxes .	£1	11	5	2
In mr. Uriah Gregory lists: mr. Edw. Garfield Taxes		3	4	11	—

also Voted that the Treasurer be Permitted to Discount with mr. Uriah Gregory the Sum of two Pounds Seven Shillings & ten Pence on acct: of Joseph Harringtons Taxes and likewise the Sum of One Pound Eleven Shillings & 5 Pence on Account of John Peirces Taxes and that the said Gregory be held to replace the Same in the Treasury if they may be Collected —

[343.] also in mr Samuel Livermores lists	Ebenr. Eaton	£2	15	2
	Asa Stowers	0	14	6

7th On the 11th. & last article in the Warrent relative to Choosing Overseers of the Poor the matter Subsided & no vote Taken thereon

The Meeting was then Disolved

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on monday the 2d Day of April 1792 at the Publick Meeting house in Said Town — to bring in thier Votes for Governour and Lieut. Governour & five Senators Agreeably to the Constitution of this Common-wealth — the Votes were as followeth

for Governour	Honble. Elbridge Gerry Esqr. had	40	Votes
	his Exelency John Hancock Esqr. had	6	
	Honble. Thos Russell Esqr had	3	

for Lt. Governour	HONBLE. SAMLL. ADAMS ESQR. had	28	Votes
	HONBLE. THOS. RUSSELL ESQR. had	21	

for Counselors and Senators	ELEAZER BROOKS ESQR had	43	Votes
	EBENR. BRIDGE ESQR. had	43	
	JOSEPH B VARNUM ESQR. had	43	
	JOSEPH HOSMER ESQR. had	42	
	SAMLL. DEXTER JUR ESQR. had	42	

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on the 7th. day of may 1792 at the Publick meeting house in Said Town being Quallified agreeably to the Constitution of this Common-wealth did then & there elect & Depute Mr. AMOS BIGLOW to Represent them in the general Court of this Common-wealth the ensewing Year —

[344.] At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston may 7th. 1792 at the Publick meeting house in Sd. Town then & there —

1st To Choose a Moderator of Said meeting —

2 To hear the memorial of the Representatives of Several Towns Towns in the County of Middlesex to the Legislative body of this Common-wealth Praying that the Town of Concord may be established as the Shire Town of Sd. County and also an order of Court thereon Directing that the Several Towns in Said County be Notified thereof — that they may at the first Session of the Next General Court appear & Shew cause if any they have why the Prayer of Said Memorilists should not be answered and act thereon as they Shall think Expedient

3 To hear the Petition of Joseph Russell and Others relative to thier being Seperated from the Town of Weston and Annexed to the Town of Lincoln and act thereon —

1st MR. THADS. SPRING *Chosen Moderator*

2. on the memorial of the Representatives mentioned in the above Warrent — 1st Voted that this Town is Opposed to Concords, being made the Shire Town — and that the Selectmen be a Committee to Point out the reason therefor

3d. On the Memorial of mr. Joseph Russell & Others rela-

tive thier being Separated from the Town of Weston and Annexed to the Town of Lincoln. in Consideration of the Decease of his father which rendered it inconveniant for him to be Present to Speak upon the Subject — Voted that this meeting be Adjourned unill the Annuall fall Meeting — and that this Matter be Taken up Immediately after the business of Said meeting is finished — and the meeting was Adjourned Accordingly

[345.] At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on monday the 17th. Day of Sepr. 1792 at the Publick meeting-house in Said Town then & there —

1st. To Choose a Moderator of Said Meeting —

2d To grant the Sum of Ninty Pounds to pay the Revd mr Samll. Kendall his Sallery for one year next Suceeding the 5th. day of Novr 1792

3 To Provide twenty Cords of wood for the Revd Mr Samll. Kendall for the ensewing year agreeably to what was Stipulated with him

4 To know the minds of the Town whether they will Provide a reading and writing School two months in each of the Different School Houses in Town as usal or act any thing relative to the Matter —

5 To grant Such a Sum of money as Shall appear to be Nessessary & expedient for the Support of Schooling and other usal & incidental charges of the Town —

6 To grant such a sum of money as shall be Nessessary to pay any part of the Just Debts of the Town or act any thing that relates thereto —

7 To hear the Town Treasurers Accounts & act thereon

8 To hear the Town Criditors Accounts & act thereon

9 To hear all the Reasonable requests for the Abatement of Taxes and act thereon or act any thing relative to the mater

10th. To consult upon the expediency of having one or more Hospitals to be Oepned for the Inoculation with the Small Pox under such regulations & restrictions as the Town shall think proper to adapt — and act thereon or act any thing relative to the Matter —

11 To know the minds of the Town whether they adopt

any measures to Assertain the Bounds of the Town Road between the Lands of Artemas ward Esqr. & m^{r} Eben^{r} Brackett and leading to East Sudbury line & Concord road or act any thing relative to the matter —

[346.] 12 To know the minds of the Town whether they will make any Provision for making passable the Alteration of the County road on the South side of the Town Leading from East Sudbury line to the new Bridge (so Call^{d}) or act any thing relative to the mater

1st. M^{R}. Thad^{s}. Spring *Chosen Moderator of Said Meeting*

2^{d}. Voted to Proceed to the tenth Article in the warrent relative to the Small Pox —

3^{d} voted that the Town will Permitt one or more Buildings to be Occupied for Inoculating with the Small Pox within this Town under Proper Regulations & restrictions

4th Voted that m^{r} Joseph Russell Capt Hobbs & Capt Nichols be a Committee to draw up some regulations relative thereto and report —

5 Voted that the following Housen viz Capt. Fisks House m^{r} Joel Smith (Parkhurst) House Dea^{n}. Fisks House m^{r} Eph^{m}. Livermores House Widow Uphams House m^{r}. Josiah Starrs House m^{r} Josiah Seaverns House and m^{r}. Amos Lamsons House be and they are hereby permitted to be Occupied for Inoculating with the Small Pox under the following regulations & restrictions — as reported by the Committee for that purpose — which are as followeth viz

1st. that no Person be Inoculated with small Pox after the 8th day of October next —

2 that the Phiscians who Inoculate & attend the Hospitals give Bonds to the Selectmen that they will not Inoculate any Person with the Small Pox after the Said 8th. day of October and that they will not Introduce any Person to Visit the Hospitals but whom they will See well Smoaked when they with draw therefrom and that they will uniformly Smoke themselves

3^{d}. that there be a Smoke-House Erected at the Several Hospitals at the expence of those who Provide Said Hospitals

4th that a Committee be Chosen by the Town to Sett Bounds

near the Several Hospitals to which those that have the Distemper may Come and no farther — and that they Inspect s^d^. Hospitals and see that each Person who hath the Distemper be well Cleansed before [347.] they leave the Hospital — and that Said Committee be Directed to remove those Persons, who are now under the Opperation of the Small Pox in this Town to the Several Hospitals Provided in Said Town —

5 Voted that Capt. Fisk Capt. Jones Capt. Nichols and Messrs. Jonas Sanderson Samuel Green, Josiah Starr & Capt. Pierce be a Committee for the above Purpose, and to see that all the above Regulations & restrictions be duly Observed

6. Voted to adjourn Said meeting to the first monday of Decr. next at one o,Clock PM : — 1792 Decr. 3^d^. meet According to Adjournment —

1st. Voted to grant the Sum of Ninty Pounds to pay the Rev^d^ m^r^ Samuell Kendall his Sallery the ensewing Year —

2^d^ Voted that Deacon Isaac Hobbs, Messrs. Amos Biglow Daniel Stratton and Josiah Starr be a Committee to Provide twenty Cords of wood for the Rev^d^ m^r^ Samuel Kendall for the ensewing Year and also to Provide wood for the Several School Houses in Town —

3^d^ : Voted to Provide a reading & writing School four months in the Center School House & three months in each of the Other School Houses in Town —

4th : Voted to grant the Sum of Two Hundred & fifty Pounds for the Support of Schooling & other usal & incidental Charges of Said Town —

5 Voted to grant the Sum of one Hundred Pounds to be Appropriated for the payment of the Interest & a part of the Principal of the Just Debts of the Town & ordered that the Same be Assessed & Collected & payed to the Town Treasurer on or before the first Day of March next —

6 Voted to Accept the Town Treasurers Accounts as Exhibited

7 Voted to Allow the following Accounts viz —

To m^r^. Thad^s^. Spring for fifteen Days making Sundry Taxes Taking the General Valuation &c &c	3	0	6
To m^r^ Nath^ll^. Allen for fifteen Days in making Sundry Taxes Taken a General Invoice &c	3	0	0

8th Voted to abate the following Taxes viz

Capt. Joseph Nichols lists	Abijah Steadman . . .	2	8	5
	Aaron Livermore . . .	0	9	4
	Jacob Peirce	0	7	7
mr Nathan Fisks lists —	Joseph Beacon . . .	0	17	6
		4	2	10

[348.] 9th. Voted that Deacon Samll Fisk & Messrs. Daniel Stratton & Uriah Gregory be a Committee to endeavor to Assertain the bounds of the Town Road between the Lands of Artemas Ward Esqr. and mr Ebenr Brackett and to report to the Town at thier next annual Meeting in March —

10 Agreeable to an Adjournment of a Legal Town may 7th. 1792 to the Present Time to take up the memorial of mr Joseph Russell & others, relative to thier being Seperated from the Town of Weston and Annexed to the Town of Lincoln after hearing all that was Said upon the Subject the Vote being put it Passed in the Negative unannemously —

The meeting was then Disolved

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Duly Quallified and Assembled at the Publick Meeting house in Said Town on friday the 2d day of Novr 1792 at 2 o,Clock in the After-noon then & there Agreeably to a Resolve of the General Court —

1st. To give in thier Votes unto the Selectmen for four Representatives for the first District in this Common-wealth to represent the Inhabitants thereof in the Congress of United States — one of whom at least must be a Resident in one of the Counties that Compose Said District —

2 To bring in thier Votes for one Representative for the above Purpose who may reside in either the first Second or third Districts — which Contain the Counties of Suffolk. Essex Middlesix Hamshire. Worcester, Berkshire Plymoth Bristol Branstable Dukes-County and Nantuckett —

3d To bring in thier Votes for five Persons as Electors of President & Vice President of the United States of of America and act any thing that is required by Said resolves —

Weston Octr. 18th 1792

Thads Spring
Matthew Hobbs } Selectmen
Daniel Stratton

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for Representatives

- FISHER AMES County of Suffolk had 22 Votes
- BENJ^A GOODHU County of Essex had 23Votes
- SAM^EL DEXTER JU^R County ot Middlesix had 22 Votes
- JAMES BOWDOIN for the District had 22 Votes
- DAVID COBB for the three Districts had 22 Votes
- JOSEPH B VARNUM County of Middlesix 1 Vote
- BENJ^A. AUSTIN County of Suffolk 1 Vote
- [W^M HEATH for the District — 1]
- JAMES WARREN for ye three Districts 1 Vote

for Electors of President and vice President,

- HON^BLE. FRANCIS DANA had twenty three 23 votes
- HON^BLE. INCREASE SUMNER had twenty three 23 votes
- HONB^LE: AZOR ORNE had twenty three 23 Votes
- THEOPHILUS PARSONS ESQ^R had ninteen 19 Votes
- HON^BLE. ELEAZOR BROOKS had twenty three 23 votes
- HON^BLE. JOSEPH B VARNUM had two 2 votes

1793.

at a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on monday the 4th day march 1793 at 12 O,Clock at noon then & there —

1st. To Choose a Moderator of Said meeting

2^d To Choose Selectmen Collectors and Other Town Officers that the Law Directs —

3 To Stipulate and agree with Collectors upon the price of Collecting Taxes —

4th To hear the Town Treasurers Accounts & act thereon

5 To hear the Town Creditors Accounts & act thereon

6 To know the minds of the Town whether they will repair thier highways by a rate the ensewing year and if so to grant money therefor or Act any matter or thing that relates thereto

7th To know the minds of the Town whether thier Swine Shall go a Large the year ensewing —

[350.] 8 To hear and act upon a list Prepared for the Jury box

9th To know the minds of the Town whether they will provide a womans School two months in each of School-houses in Town or act any thing relative to the matter

10th. To hear all the reasonable requests that may be made relative to the Abatement of Taxes and act thereon and act any thing relative to the matter —

11 To know the minds of the Town whether they will Despose of the Building Calld. the work-House or make Provision for the repairs thereof or act any thing that relates to the Matter —

12 To hear the report of the Committee Respecting the Town Road between the Lands of Artemas Ward Esqr and mr Ebenr Brackett —

1st Capt. Isaac Jones *Chosen moderator of Said meeting*

Selectmen	Capt Isaac Jones Mr John Coburn Mr Elisha Stratton Mr Nathan Hagar Capt Joseph Nichols
Town Clerk	Isaac Hobbs
Town Treasurer	Ebenr. Hobbs
Assessors	Messrs. John Coburn Joseph Russell and Capt Joseph Nichols
Surveyors of Highways	Messrs. Abrm. Harrington, Thads. Spring Isaac Stratton, Nathan Warren & J. Coburn
Tyhingmen	Messrs. Daniel Stratton & Isaac Gould
Hogreaves	Messrs. Samll. Fisk & David Brackett
[351.] Field Drivers	Messrs. Daniel Rand & Nathan Fisk
Fence Viewers	Messrs. William Bogle & Enoch Train
Sealers of Leather	Messrs. Thos. Warren & Josiah Hastings

Surveyor of Hemp	Mr. Samuel Livermore
Surveyor & Paker of Beef & Pork	Capt. Matthew Hobbs & Daniel Boyles
Surveyor of Bread	Messrs. Joel Smith & Caleb Haywood
To take care of the Meeting House	Mr. Ezra Fiske at 27/ Pr. Annum.

The Meeting was then Adjourned to Monday the first day of April next at three O,Clock p. m:

Meet according to Adjournment

Constables & Collectors	Mr Thads. Spring to have Six pence & two farthings pr £ for Collecting Mr Daniel Stratton to have five pence one farthing pr Pound for Collecting Taxes

2 Voted to accept the Town Treasurers Accounts as Exhibeted

3d Voted that the thanks of the Town be returned to Artemas Ward Esqr — for his Services as Treasurer the year past

4 Voted to accept the Town Creditors Accounts as followeth Viz

	£	S	D
To Capt. Isaac Jones the sum of Twenty-four Pounds in full of his Account against the Town for his Services — s Expenditures and losses Sustained as one of the managers of Watertown Bridge Lottery . .	24	0	0
To Capt Joseph Nichols for Serving Constable 12/ and for warning Town meetings 36/ .	2	8	0
To Mr Nathan Fiske for Serving Constable 12/ and for warning Town meetings 32/ .	2	4	0
To mr Nathan Hobbs for his Services as an Assessor .	3	12	0
To mr Thads. Spring for his Services as an Assessor .	1	5	0
To mr Nathll. Allen for his Services as an Assessor .	1	6	0

[352.] 5th Voted to grant the sum of one Hundred & ten Pounds to repair the high ways the ensewing Year to be worked out at four pence Pr. Hour for man or Team —

6th. Voted that the Swine being well regulated may go at large untill the first day of Sepr: next —

7th. Voted that a womans School be Provided in each of the School-Housen in Town the ensewing Summer —

8th. Voted, to accept of a list Prepared for the Jury Box

9th. Voted to abate the Taxes of Nathll. Bemis jur: in Constable Fisk,s lists the Sum of Nine Shillings & three pence

10th. Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee to make such repairs to the work House as they Shall find Nessessary and Expedient —

11th. The Committee Apointed to Assertain the bounds of the Town road between the Lands of Artemas Ward Esqr. and mr Ebenr Brackett reported they found by the records that Said road was laid out two rods wide and that they had laid out & bounded the Same Accordingly and the Inhabitants of the Town Legally Assembled Voted to accept the report of Said Committee —

The Meeting was then Disolved

at a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on monday the first Day of April 1793 to bring in thier votes for a Governour & Leiut. Governour of this Commonwealth agreeably to the Constitution thereof — the votes were as followeth Viz —

For Governour { THE HONBLE. ELBRIDGE GERRY [ESQR. had 24]
HIS EXCELENCY JOHN HANCOCK [ESQR. had 14]

For Lt. Governour —

[353.] At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on monday the first day of April 1793 to bring in thier Votes for Counsellors and Senators agreeably to the Constitution of this Common-wealth — the votes were as followeth viz

Counsellors and Senators	ELEAZER BROOKS ESQR. had forty —	40	Votes
	JOSEPH B VARNUM ESQR. forty —	40	
	EBENR. BRIDGE ESQR. forty —	40	
	DANIEL WHITNEY ESQR. thirty one	31	
	ELBRIDGE GERRY ESQR. twenty six	26	
	ISAAC STARNS ESQR. fourteen	14	
	JOSEPH HOSMER ESQR. Seven	7	
	ARTEMAS WARD ESQR. One	1	
	MAJR. JONA. HALE One	1	

The Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Legally Quallified and duly warned and Assembled at the Publick meeting house in Said Town May 1793 did then & there elect & depute M^R. Amos Biglow to represent them in the General Court of this Common-wealth the Year ensewing —

At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on monday the 2^d day of Sepr. 1793 at three o,Clock in the after noon then & there —

1st To Choose a moderator of Said meeting —

2^d To grant the Sum of Ninty Pounds to pay the Rev^d m^r. Samuel Kendal his Sallery for one Year next Suceeding the fifth Day of Novr. 1793 —

3^d To Provide twenty Cords of wood for the Rev^d m^r Sam^ll. Kendal for the ensewing Year Agreeably to Contract —

4 To know the minds of the Town whether they will provide [354.] a reading & writing School in the Different parts of the Town as usal or act any thing relative to the matter —

5 To grant such a sum of money as shall appear to be Nessessary & expedient for the Support of Schooling & other usal & incidental Charges of Said Town —

6th. To grant Such a Sum of money as shall appear to be Nessessary & expedient for the payment of any part of the Just Debts of the Town or act any thing that relates thereto —

7th To hear the Town Treasurers Accounts & act thereon

8th To hear the Town Creditors Accounts & Act thereon

9 To hear all the Reasonable requests that may be made for the abatement of Taxes and act thereon —

10th. To appoint a Committee or Committees, Agent or agents for any Purposes that they shall Judge to be Nessessary or expedient —

11th. To know the minds of the Town whether they will Build a School-House in the North-east District and make such repairs to the Other School Housen in Town as shall appear to be Nessessary or Act any thing that relates to the matter —

12 To know the minds of the Town whether they will Permit the Center District to Subdivide and be formed into two

Districts exclusive of any expenc to the Town or act any matter or thing that relates to thier Subdivision

[355.] 1st. Capt. Isaac Jones *chosen moderator of Said Meeting* —

2d Voted to grant the Sum of Ninty Pounds to pay the Revd mr Samuel Kendal his Sallery for one Year from & after the fifth Day of Novr. one Thousand Seven Hundred & Ninty three —

3d. Voted to grant twenty Cords of wood for the Revd mr Samuel Kendal for the ensewing Year — and that Capt. Isaac Jones Capt. Joseph Nichols, Mr Daniel Stratton, mr Uriah Gregory, and Deaⁿ Isaac Hobbs be a Committee to Provide the same — and also to Provide wood for the Several School Housen in Town —

4th On the abatement of Taxes — Voted that the Treasurer be Directed to Discount mr Daniel Eatons Taxes in the lists of Mr Nathan Fisk Collector the Sum five Pounds Six Shillings & eight pence to be replaced when ever it may be Collected —

5 On the tenth Article — Voted that Artemas Ward Esqr. mr Joseph Russell and mr Thads. Spring, be and they hereby are appointed Agents in behalf of the Town of Weston — Vested with full Power to defend or Settle a memorial brought against the Town by John Richardson of Concord, and to act and perform any matter or thing that relates to a Just & final Settlement with the Said John Richardson — and also to attend to the matter or case in Dispute between Waltham and Weston relative to a Child belonging to Hannah Garfield and endeavor to defend the Town of Weston from any expence that may otherwise arise thereby — and likewise to Search into the matter relative to any Estate that may be found belonging to Ruth the wife of Phinehas Child & in the name and behalf of the Town of Weston endeavour to Secure the same for the Benefit of Said Town — in all which they are to act Discretionally —

[356.] 6th Voted that this meeting be Adjourned unto the first Monday in October next. at 2 o,Clock P : M :

Meet According to Adjournment

1st. Voted to accept the Town Treasurer,s Accts. as Exhibeted

2 Voted that the Center District be Divided into two Districts and that the Town will build one School-House and remove the School-House now built to accomodate the Said Districts

3d. Voted that Messrs. Isaac Hobbs, Matthew Hobbs, Joseph Nichols jur. Samll Train & Jona. Fisk be a Committee to affix the ground for the Said School-Houses to Stand upon and report to the Town —

4th. Voted that the Town will build a School-House on the Northeast District —

5th. Voted to grant the Sum of three Hundred Pounds to defray the the expence of Schooling & other usal & Incidental Charges of the Town the ensewing year —

6th. Voted that the Respective Collectors pay all the Taxes Committed to them to Collect on or before the first Day of Decer. next or Execution to Issue —

7th. Voted that this meeting be adjourned to the third monday of this Instant October at four O'Clock P. M:

1st. The Committee relative to affixing the ground for the School-Housen to Stand upon in the Center Districts Reported, That the western District (Said to be all the Inhabitants above Colo. Lamsons) were agreed that the most Conveniant Place to erect a School-House in that District is up the Town Road towards Doctr. Gowens from [357.] the great Road about twelve rods and is marked out on Lands of Capt. Isaac Jones which Lands Said Jones agrees to give to the Town Provided that he the Said Jones may have the ground the Center School-house now Stands upon for the Sum of Twelve Pounds — And the Eastern District are agreed that a School-House be erected near the Town Road Leading from the Revd mr Samll: Kendals to Deacon Samll. Fisks about twenty two Rods from the great road on Lands of the Revd mr Samuel Kendal which Lands the Revd mr Samuel Kendal Proposes to give to the Town — and the Committee are unamously agreed that the Lands above Described are the most equitable and Conveniant places for the Said School-Houses to be Erected —

2d. Voted to accept the above report and appointed Artemas Ward Esqr Mr Joseph Russell and mr Thads. Spring Agents in

behalf of the Town of Weston to give & recive Deeds of the Lands above Described —

The Meeting was then Disolved

1794

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston march 3d. 1794 at 12 O,Clock a noon then & there

1st To Choose a moderator of Said meeting—

2d To Choose Selectmen Collectors and all Other Town Officers that the Law requires —

3d. To Stipulate and agree with Collectors upon the price of Collecting Taxes —

4th. To hear the Town Treasurers Accounts and act thereon

5th To hear the Town Treasurers [Creditors] Accounts and act thereon

6th To know the minds of the Town whether thier Swine Shall go at Large the year ensewing or act any thing that relates therto —

[358.] 7th To know the minds of the whether they will repair thier High ways by a rate the ensewing year — and if So to grant money therefor or act any thing that relates to the matter

8th To hear & act upon a list prepared for the Jury Box

9th. To know the minds of the Town whether they will Provide a womans School two months in each of the School Housen in Town or act any thing relative to the matter —

10th To hear all the reasonable requests relative to the abatement of Taxes and act thereon or act any thing relative to the matter —

11 To hear the request of Daniel Stratton & Others relative to haveing three School-Houses in the two Northen Districts and act thereon or act any thing relative to the Matter

12 To hear the request of Mr Thaddeus Spring relative to Allowing him to draw out of the Treasurey all the money that has by him been returned in to the Assessors and hath been Assessed upon those Persons that were Delinquent in working

out thier high way Taxes he having worked out the same — or act any thing relative to the matter —

1st. Voted that Mr Thads. Spring be moderator of this Meeting

Selectmen	Mr. Thads Spring Mr Nathan Hagar Capt. Joseph Nichols Mr Elisha Stratton Mr Abrm. Harrington
Town Clerk	Isaac Hobbs
Town Treasurer	Ebenr Hobbs
Constable	Mr. Daniel Stratton
Constable and Collector	Mr Stephen Harrington at $5\frac{1}{2}$d Pr. Pound
Assessors	Messrs John Coburn Joseph Russell and Joseph Nichols jur.
[359.] Surveyors of Highways	Messrs. Amos Harrington, Josiah Starr, Uriah Gregory Isaac Hobbs and Fortunatus Nichols
Tythingmen	Messrs. Elisha Stratton & Ephraim Livermore
Hogreaves	Messrs. Ebenr. Brackett & Hezekiah Wyman
Field Drivers	Messrs. Joseph Livermore & Abner Russell
Fence Viewers	Colo. Saml. Lamson & Mr Nathan Warren
Sealers of Leather	messrs. Thos Warren and Josiah Hastings
Surveyor of Hemp	Mr. Samuel Livermore
Surveyor of Bread	Messrs. Joel Smith and Caleb Haywood
To take care of the Meeting-House	Mr Ezra Fisk at 27/ Pr. Annum

2d. Voted to accept the Town Treasurers Accounts as Exhibeted

3d Voted to allow the Town Creditors accounts as followeth

To mr Ebenr. Hobbs Town Treasurer the Sum of three Pounds

To mr John Coburn for his Services as an Assessor thirty-six Shillings

To Capt. Joseph Nichols for his Services as an Assessor thirty four Shillings

To mr. Joseph Russell for his Services as an Assessor thirty nine Shillings & two pence

4th. To grant the Sum of One Hundred and ten Pounds to repair the High ways the ensewing Year to be worked out thereon at four Penc Pr. Hour for man or Team —

5 Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee to examin the the Accounts and Papers that may be laid before them by Capt Jones relative to building a School House in the Year 1782 and report at the adjournment of this meeting a Statement of the matter with thier Opinion thereon —

6 Voted that the thanks of the Town be returned to the Reevd. Mr Samuel Kendall for his Liberality in giving the Town a Plat of ground to erect a School House upon —

[360.] 7th. Voted to Provide a womans School two months in each of the Different parts of the Town as Usal —

8 Voted that mr. Nathan Fiske be Permitted to draw out of the Treasurey the Sum of two Pounds five Shillings on account of Levy Thayers Taxes but held to replace the same whenever they may be Collected —

9th. On the request of Daniel Stratton & others relative to having three School Houses upon the North part of the Town — Voted that Messrs. Thads. Spring, Amos Biglow, Capt. Joseph Nichols, Josiah Starr and Samll. Train Jur. be a Committee to Examin into the Matter and to report relative thereto at the Adjournment of this meeting —

10th Voted that this meeting be adjourned to the first monday in April next — and it was accordingly adjourned

on the first monday in April met according to Adjournment

1st. Voted to allow mr. Thads. Spring to draw out of the Treasury the Sum of five Pounds one Shillings & 5½d. on account of what he returned to the Assessor of those that were Delinquent in working out thier High-way Taxes, he having worked out the same —

2d. the Article for which Committees were Chosen as above being taken up in a Warrent of this date and refered to an After hearing Voted that the meeting be Disolved and the Meeting was Accordingly Disolved —

[361.] At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on monday the Seventh day of April 1794 at the Publick Meeting House in Said Town, to bring in thier Votes for a Governour Lieut. Governour and four Senators Agreeable to the Constitution of this Common-wealth the Votes were as followeth Viz

for Governour
- William Cushing Esqr. had ten votes
- Elbridge Geary Esqr. had thirty-eight votes
- Honble: Samll. Adams Esqr had twenty-seven votes
- Honble James Sullevan Esqr. had two Votes

for Lt. Governour
- Moses Gill Esqr had forty three Votes
- Samll Adams Es had three Votes
- Elbridge Geary Esqr. had three Votes
- Wm. Heath Esqr. had Seven Votes
- Nathll Gorham Esqr had five Votes

Counsellors and Senators
- Eleazer Brooks Esqr. had fifty-two votes
- John B Varnum Esqr. had fifty four votes
- Isaac Starns Esqr. had Eight votes
- Ebenr. Bridge Esqr. had thirty five votes
- Ephm. Wood Esqr. had five Votes
- Daniel Whitney Esqr. had thirtyfour votes
- Jona. Hale Esqr. had Eight votes
- Wm. Rice Esqr. had Eleven votes
- Loamia Baldwin Esqr. had Eight votes
- Willis Hall Esqr. had One vote

[362.] Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on monday the Seventh day of April 1794 at four o,Clock P M: then & there —

1st. To Choose a Moderator of Said Meeting —

2d To Adopt such measures as Shall be Nessesseray and Expedient to pursue, to build one School-House in the east Centerly District — and to build one School-House in the North-east District agreably to a vote of the Town Passed at thier meeting by an Adjournment on the third monday of October last past — and act any matter or thing that relates to building & Completing the same or fixing the ground for the N: E: School-House to Stand upon — or whatever may be agreed upon relative to building, moving or repairing any School-Houses in Town or Opening any road or roads for the better accomadation of Schooling — and act any matter or thing that in any wise appertains thereto — or to repairing any of the Buildings belonging to the Town —

3d To grant such a Sum, or Sums, of money, as Shall appear to be Nessessary, and expedient, for the above or any other Purposes

1st. Voted that MR THADS SPRING *be Moderator of sd. Meeting*

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Recorder here thr. Mistake

☞ 2d Voted to grant the Sum of Ninty Pounds to pay the Revd mr Samll Kendall his Sallery for one year next Succeeding the fifth day of November 1794 —

3d Voted that Capt. Fisk, Capt Hobbs, Capt. Nichols, mr. Nathan Hagar, and mr Samll. Livermore be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to Provide twenty Cords of Wood for the Revd mr Samll Kendall for the ensewing Year

4th. Voted that they will Provide a Reading & writing Master three Months in each of the School-Housen in Town

[363.] 5th Voted to allow mr. Thads. Spring the Sum of 12/ for Serving Constable and 12/ for warning three Town meetings £1 4 0

also voted to allow mr. Daniel Stratton the Sum of 12/ for Serving Constable and 12/ for warning three Town meetings . 1 4 0

Recorded here thr^r. Mistake

Also voted to abate in Daniel Strattons lists Abr^m Hews,s High-way Taxes . . .	0	16	7¾
also m^r. John Flagg,s High way Taxes 23/8	1	3	8

Also abated in Capt. Joseph Nichols,^s lists the following Taxes

Viz Daniel Twitchels Poll Tax for the year 1792 9/3 .	0	9	3
Mary Steadmans Taxes for the year 1792 5/6 .	0	5	6
Longly Bartlett,^s Taxes 1792 15/1 .	0	15	1
Zach^ry. Weston,^s Taxes 6/ .	0	6	0
Joseph Lee	0	0	5½

2^d Voted that Messrs. Thad^s. Spring, Amos Biglow Joseph Nichols ju^r Josiah Starr, & Sam^ll. Train ju^r. be and they hereby are Appointed a Committee to affix the ground for a School House to be built upon, in the North east District, and whatever they Shall think Expedient for Building or repairing any other School Housen in Town, or Opening any road or roads for the better accomodation thereof — and report to the Town at the Adjournment of this meeting

3^d Voted that Messrs. Joseph Russell, Isaac Hobbs & Samuel Livermore be a Committee to Propose the Dimentions and finishing of the School-Housen Voted to be built in Town and to recive proposales for building the same from Carpenters & Others and Lay the same before the Town, at the Adjournment of this meeting —

4th. Voted that this meeting be adjourned to the Annual Town meeting in may next at four O,Clock P : — M : —

[364.] Meet According to Adjournment

1st. Voted to accept the report of the Committee for affixing the ground for the North-east School-House to Stand upon as marked out by them on Land of Deacon Sam^ll Barrett of Boston —

2^d. Voted that the Committee for Proposing the Dimentions of the School-Housen and finishing of the same be Continued and that Deacon Samuel Fisk, and Capt. Joseph Nichols be Added to Said Committee — and they are hereby Instructed and

empowered in behalf of the Town to Contract for the Building & Compleating the two School-Housen upon the most advantages terms they can agreeably to a plan by them Proposed — and to see that the same be done accordingly — and also to Sell the Old School-House for the most it will fetch — when they shall think Proper

3d. Voted the sum of one Hundred and twenty Pounds to be appropriated for the Sole Purpose of Building the above School-Housen and that the same be Assessed, Collected — and paid into the Treasury by the first Day of Sepr. Next and that no Orders be Recd. on this Tax except for Articles Supplied for Building the Same —

4th. Voted that this meeting be Disolved —

The Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Legally Quallified and duly warned being Assembled at the Publick meeting-House in Said Town on monday the twelveth day of may one Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninty-four did then & there elect and Depute Mr. Amos Biglow to represent said Inhabitants in the General Court of this Common-wealth the ensewing Year —

[365.] At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on the 13th. day of Octr. 1794 at the Publick meeting-House in said Town then and there —

1st. To Choose a Moderator of said meeting —

2d To grant the Sum of Ninty Pounds to pay the Revd mr Samll Kendal his Sallery for one Year next Suceeding the fifth day of Novr. 1794

3d. To Provide twenty Cords of wood for the Revd mr Samll. Kendal for the ensewing year Agreeably to Contract —

4th To know the minds of the Town whether they will Provide a reading and writing School in the Different parts of the Town as Usal or act any thing relative to the matter —

5th. To grant such a sum of money as Shall appear to be Nessessary & Expedient for the Support of Schooling and other usal and incidetal charges of the Town —

6 To grant such a Sum of money as shall appear to be Nessessary and expedient for the Payment of the whole or a

part of Debts of the Town that are on Interest or act any thing relative to Discharging the same —

7th To hear the Town Treasurers Accounts and act thereon

8th To hear the Town Creditors accounts and act thereon

9th To hear all the Reasonable requests for the abatement of Taxes and act thereon or act any matter or thing that relates to the Discharging of Taxes —

10th. To pursue such measures a shall appear to be Nessessary and Expedient for taking a Survey of this Town of Weston in Complyance with and Agreeably to a late resolve of General Court —

11 To know the minds of the Town whether not they think it expedient to make Sale of the Building Commonly Calld. the work-House and Land adjoining and act accordingly, or act any thing relative to Selling or repairing the Same —

[366.] 1st. Voted that Mr Thads: Spring be *Moderator of Said Meeting*

2d Voted to grant the Sum of Ninty Pounds to pay the Revd. Mr. Samll. Kendal his Sallery for one Year next Succeeding the fifth day of November in the year of our Lord 1794

3d. Voted that Capt. Fisk, Capt Hobbs Capt. Nichols Mr Nathan Hagar and Mr Samll Livermore be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to Provide twenty Cords of wood for the Revd mr Samll: Kendal the ensewing Year —

4th Voted that they will Provide a reading & writing Master Three months in each of the School-Housen in Town —

5th: Voted to allow mr Thads. Spring the Sum of twelve Shillings for Serving Constable and twelve Shillings for warning three Town Meetings £1 4 0

6th: Voted to allow mr Daniel Stratton the Sum of 12/ for Serving Constable, and 12/ for warning 3 Town meetings £1 4 0

7th. Voted to abate in mr Daniel Strattons lists mr Abrm. Hewes,' Highway Tax 16/7¾ & John Flaggs High-way Tax 23/8

8 Voted to abate in Capt. Joseph Nichols lists the following Taxes

	£	S	D
viz Daniel Twitchels Poll Tax for the year 1792 . .	0	9	3
Mary Steadmans Taxes for the year 1792 . . .	0	5	6
Longley Bartlett do 1792 . . .	0	15	1
Zach^{ry}. Weston do . . .	0	6	0
Joseph Lee do . . .	0	0	$5\frac{2}{4}$
	£1	16	$3\frac{2}{4}$

9th. Voted to abate the Sum of two Pounds thirteen Shillings & $2\frac{1}{4}$^{d} in m^{r} Sam^{ll} Pratts lists which was Considered to be in full of the Taxes Committed to him to Collect

10 Voted that this meeting be Adjourned to monday the 3^{d} day of Novr. next at 2 O,Clock P M:

[367.] The Inhabitants of the Town of Weston being Assembled this third day of November 1794 agreeably to thier adjournment at thier meeting on the 13th day of Octr. 1794 pass^{d}. the following votes viz —

1st. Voted to accept the Town Treasurers accounts as exhibited

2^{d}. Voted to grant the sum of three Hundred & Fifty Pounds to defray the Usal & incidental charges of the Town —

3^{d} Voted to grant the Sum of two Hundred Pounds to be appropriated to pay the debts of the Town that are on Interest and to be paid in to the Treasury by the first day of march next —

4 Voted that m^{r} Thad^{s}: Spring Collector draw out of the Treasury on account of the nonpayment of Sundry Persons to the Ministers Sallery. they being of a Different denomination the Sum of Seven Pounds Six Shillings & Six pence three farthings —

NB: the names of the respective persons alluded to above are on file —

The Meeting was then Disolved

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified as the Law Directs to bring in thier votes for a Representative to represent the first middle District in the Congress of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA — (Said District being Composed of the Towns of Boston, Roxbury, Dorchester,

Brookline, Sharon, Dedham, Needham, Medway, Newton, Weston, East Sudbury, Natick, Sherburn, Hopkington & Hollis-ton,) being assembled at the Publick meeting-House in S^d^. Town on the third day of Novr. in the year of our Lord one Thousand Seven Hundred & ninty-four did then & there bring in thier votes unto the Selectmen of which the following is a true Coppy viz

HON^BLE^. FISHER AMES had Sixty-eight votes
DOCT^R^ CHARLES JARVIS had Six — votes

a true Coppy from the Minutes of Said meeting } *Attest* ISAAC HOBBS, Town Clerk

[368.] **1795.**

At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on monday the 2^d^ day of march 1795 Assembled for the following Purposes viz —

1st. To Choose a Moderator of Said Meeting —

2^d^: To Choose Selectmen Collectors and all Other Town Officers that the Law requiers —

3^d^. To Stipulate & agree with Collectors upon the price of Collecting Taxes —

4th. To hear the Town Treasurers Accounts and act thereon

5th. To hear the Town Creditors accounts & act thereon

6 To know the minds of the Town whether thier swine shall go at large the year ensewing or act any thing that relates thereto —

7th. To know the minds of the Town whether they will repair thier high ways by a rate the year ensewing, and if so to grant money therefor or act any matter or thing that relates thereto —

8 to hear & act upon a list prepared for the Jury Box

9th. To know the minds of the Town whether they will provide a womans School two months in each of the School-Housen in Town, or act any thing that relates to the matter —

10th. To hear all the reasonable requests for the abatement of Taxes and act thereon or act any thing relative to the matter

11 To know the minds of the Town relative to the Pew

lately Occupied by the widow mary Steadman Deceased (which Pew now belongs to the Town) whether they will sell or loan S^d^. Pew and make Such Provision therefor as Shall appear to be Nessessary or act any thing relative to the matter

[369.] 12 To know the minds of the Town whether they will appoint an agent or Agents for the Purpose of Supporting and Prosecuting to final Judgement an Action that is already Commenced by the Town of Weston against Jon^a^. Starns ju^r^ of Waltham or for any Other Purposes that they shall deem Nessessary, or act any thing that relates thereto —

13 To the minds of the Town whether they will make such Alteration in the front Gallery as Shall better accomadate the Singers, and make such Provision therefor as Shall appear to be Nessessary and Expedient or act any thing relative to the Matter —

14 To know the minds of the Town whether or not they think it expedient to Sell the Building commonly call^d^. the work House with the Lands Adjoining and make Such Provision therefor or for repairing the Same as they shall think Nessessary or act any thing relative thereto —

15 To know the minds of the Town whether or not they will take any Other Measurs for the Support of the poor than what hath been usal or act any thing relative to the matter

1st. M^R^. THAD^S^. SPRING *Chosen moderator of Said meeting*

Selectmen	M^R^. THAD^S^. SPRING MR NATHAN HAGAR CAP^T^. JOSEPH NICHOLS M^R^. ELISHA STRATTON M^R^. ABR^M^. HARRINGTON
Town Clerk	ISAAC HOBBS
Town Treasurer	EBEN^R^. HOBBS
Constables	MESS^RS^. THAD^S^. SPRING & NATHAN FISKE
Collector	M^R^. NATHAN FISKE who Stipulated with the Town to Collect the Taxes at Six pence p^r^. £
[370.] Assessors	MESS^RS^ : JOHN COBURN JOSEPH RUSSELL & JOSEPH NICHOLS

Surveyors of High ways	MESSRS. JOEL SMITH, JOHN SLACK, SAMLL : SMITH JONATHAN FISK & ENOCH TRAIN
Tythingmen	MESSRS. DANIEL BOYLES, & NATHAN FISKE
Hogreaves	MESRS. EBENR BRACKETT & EBENR BALLARD
Field Drivers	MESRS. THADS : PIERCE & EPHRAIM LIVERMORE
Fence Viewers	MESSRS. NATHLL : ALLEN & JOSEPH LIVERMORE
Sealers of Leather	MESRS. CORNELIUS BASSETT & JOSIAH HASTINGS
Surveyor of Hemp	MR EPHRAIM LIVERMORE
Surveyor of Lumber	MESSS. DANIEL STRATTON & ISAAC LAMSON
Surveyor of Bread	MESSRS. JOEL SMITH & JOSEPH RUSSELL
Surveyor & paker of Beef & Pork	MESRS. MATTHEW HOBBS & DANIEL BOYLES
To take care of the meeting House	MR. EZRA FISKE at 27/ pr Annum

The meeting was then Adjourned to monday the 8th. day of this Instant march —

March 8th. 1795 The Inhabitants meet according to adjournment

1st. Voted to accept the Town Treasurers accounts as Exhibited

2d Voted to allow the Town the Creditors accounts as Exhibited which were as followeth viz —

	£	S	d
To mr. John Coburn for his Service as an Assessor . .	2	16	0
To mr. Joseph Russell for his Service as an Assessor and Sundry other Services as pr. his account . . .	4	10	1
To Capt. Joseph Nichols for his Service as an Assessor .	2	16	0
To mr. Ebenr. Hobbs for his Service as Treasurer . .	3	0	0
To mr. Thads. Spring for Services done for the Town .	0	6	0
[371.] To mr Daniel Stratton for serving Constable 12/ and warning eight Town meetings 32/	2	4	0

3d. Voted to grant the sum of one Hundred and fifty Pounds to be worked out upon the high ways at five pence pr. Hour for man or Team —

4th Voted to accept the list of Jurors as Exhibited —

5th. Voted to Provide a womans School two months, in each of the School Housen in Town the ensewing Summer —

6th. Voted to Abate the Taxes of Joseph Livermore jur in mr. Thads Springs lists the Sum of — eight Shillings & one penney

also in mr Daniel Stratton,s list	Edwd Brindley . .	0	11	4
	Edwd Brindley jur. .	0	1	4

7th Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee to make Sale of the Pew lately Occupied by the widow mary Steadman —

8th Voted that Artemas Ward Esqr. be, and he is hearby appointed an agent in behalf of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston to Prosecute to final judgment & execution an Action or cause Depending between Said Inhabitants and Jonathan Starns, 2d. of Waltham —

9th Voted that Artemas ward Esqr. and mr. Thads. Spring be, and they hereby are Appointed Agents in behalf of the Town of Weston to oppose and endeavor to prevent a Proposed alteration of great Country road between mr. Abrm Harringtons and Waltham line —

10th. Voted that Isaac Hobbs, Joseph Russell, Thads : Spring, Daniel Stratton & Capt. Joseph Nichols be a Committee relative to an Alteration being made in the front Gallery of the meeting House for the better accomodation of the Singers, that they View the Premises Consider the expedience, Propose a plan of alteration and report to the Town at the adjournment of this meeting —

[372.] 11th Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee to recive proposals for the sale of the building calld. the work-House and to report at the adjournment of this meeting —

12 The meeting was then adjourned to the first monday in April at four O,Clock in the after noon

April 6th. 1795 meet according to adjournment

1st. Voted that the Selectmen may sell the work-House for the Sum of one Hundred pounds at thier discretion —

2d. Voted to accept the report of the Committee relative to making an alteration in the front gallery for the better accomadation of the Singers — which report is as followeth — viz

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston in Town meeting assembled — GENTLEMEN,

Your Committee relative to an alteration proposed to be made in the front gallery of the meeting House for the better Accomadation of the Singers — beg leave to report that they have attended to the Service assigned them, have Viewed the Premises, and are unanamously of the Opinion that it is expedient that three seats nearest the wall in the front gallery be removed, and that the space they now Occupy be converted in to two Pews to be finished decently and in such a manner as Shall best accomadate the performers of that part of Divine Service — and that Said Pews be appropriated (during the pleasure of the Inhabitants of Sd Town) to the use of all the singing men & Singing women that all ready have or may hereafter acquire such Skill in that Sublime art as shall quallify them to carry on that part of the Publick worship of God in a decent and becoming maner —

all which is Humbly Submitted by

ISAAC HOBBS
JOSEPH RUSSELL
THADs. SPRING
DANIEL STRATTON
JOSEPH NICHOLS JUR.
} your Committee

[373.] 3d. Voted that the same Committee be Continued and they are hereby directed and empowered to cause Such alteration to be made as they have set forth in the above report —

The meeting was then Disolved

at a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on monday the Sixth day of April 1795 to bring in thier votes for Governour, Lt. Governour, and four Counsellors & Senators of this Common wealth agreeably the Constitution thereof — Votes as followeth

for Governour { His Exelency Sam^ll. Adams Esqr. had forty two votes
His Honoar Moses Gill Esqr. had Nine votes
the Honble. Elbridge Geary Esqr. had three votes

for L^t. Governour — His Hon^r: Moses Gill Esqr. had: Sixty four votes

for Counsellors & Senators { Eleazer Brooks Esqr had forty eight votes
Isaac Starns Esqr. had forty one votes
Jon^a. Hale Esqr. had thirty three votes
Sam^ll. Dexter ju^r. Esqr had thirty-one votes
Loami Baldwin Esqr. had twelve votes
Daniel Whitney Esqr. had ten votes
Joseph B. Varnum Esqr. had Seven votes
Benj^a. Brown Esqr. had five votes
W^m. Rice Esqr. had one vote
Timothy Biglow Esqr had one vote
Willis Hall Esqr. had one vote

[Note. — *The Town Clerk omitted to copy from his "Minutes for Senators : Eben Bridge* — 2.]

At a Legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Weston on monday the Sixth day of april 1795 at the Publick meeting-House in S^d. Town then and there —

1st To bring in thier votes for a Moderator of S^d. meeting

(See the lower part of the next page)

[Note. — *This record was interrupted by the following entries, which had been placed on a leaf near the end of the Town Book. The first, by Elisha Jones, has been printed on page* 56 ; *the second, by Samuel Baldwin, on page* 166. *The interrupted record is afterwards continued.*]

[374.] May 8. 1756 Bathsheba Moulton was warned out of Town and Cautioned against Decr. 1756 Jno. Knight Chris^r. Capen & Mary Priest were Warn^d. and Caution^d.

May 1757. Jonas Bowman. Mary Chubb. Silence Chubb. & Saml. Gooding & wife were Warn^d. & Caution^d.

Jan^r. 1771 Whareas the Severeal Persons Hereafter Named Came into the Town of Weston and have taken up their Residence here Dureing the Continuance of a Late Temporay act made & Passed in the Seventh

year of his present Majestys in addition to Several Laws already made Relaiting to the Removell of Poor Persons out of the Towns whereof they are not Inhabitants which Persons Have not made their application to the Selectmen nor Have had the approbation of the Town at a Generall Town meeting for their Dwelling Here are were Warned and Cautioned against Jan^{r}. 1771

viz Nathaniel Parkhurst & Eunce his wife & Martha there Daug^{r} from Waltham Jacob Bull & Rebecca his Wife & Children viz Reuben Thomas John Mary Jacob & Elizabeth from Cambridge Susannah Gage wid^{o} & Susannah Gage her Daug^{r} from Lincoln William Graves & Mary his wife & there Children viz Sarah William and Mary from Needham Jonathan Peirce from Lexington Lucy Jones from Worcester Penieul Clerk from Newton: Jedediah white and Betty his wife and there Children viz Deadamia Jedediah Reuben Grace Andrew & Betty Willington her Daug^{r} from Watertown Reuben Shed from Bellerica Lois Parkhurst from Waltham Sam^{ll}. Nutting from Waltham Lydia Nutting from Marlbrough Jeremiah Goodhew & Elizabeth Goodhew his wife and there children viz Abigail Elizabeth Lucy Jeremiah from John Gould Thos. Williams from Abigail Hinds from Newton Martha Willard from Newton

2^{d}. To know the minds of the Town relative to rebuilding repairing or in anwise rendering the School Housen in Town more Comfortable & Conveniant and to pursue such Measures as Shall to them appear to be Nessessary & Expedient to accomplish the Same or act any thing relative to the matter —

3^{d}. To the minds of the Town whether or not they think it expedient to grant such a Sum of money as shall be adequate to Discharge all the Debts of the Town that are now upon Interest or act any thing relative to the matter

The Inhabitants being assembled for the purpose above mentioned

1st M^{R}. Thad^{s}. Spring *was Chosen moderator of S^{d}. meeting*

[375.] 2^{d} Voted that the Selectmen, together with Deacon Isaac Hobbs and Capt. Jon^{a}. Fisk be a Comittee to examin the School Housen in Town and to report at the adjournment of this meeting thier Opinion relative to the Nessessity or expedience of rebuilding repairing or in any wise rendring the School-Housen in Town more Comfortable & conveniant —

3^{d}. To grant the sum of two Hundred and thirty Pounds to be assessed and Collected the one half of the Sum to be paid

into the Treasury by the first day of Dece^{r}. next the remainder by the first day of March next and the same is hereby appropriated to pay the Debts of the Town that are on Interest —

The meeting was then adjourned to the next anual may meeting at 4 o,clock P : M :

Meet according to adjournment

The Committee appointed relative to repairing the School Housen reported as followeth viz — To the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Gentlemen your Committee appointed to examin the School Housen in Town to see what repairs are Nessessary and expedient to make them Comfortable and Conveinant — have attended that service — and beg leave to report that it is the Opinion of ye Committee that the School-Housen in the South-east & South west Districts be repaired in the following manner, viz by Building Porches, by Clap boarding, by removing the Chimneys & Providing Stoves, Building new Seats & Benches and such Other repairs as Shall be found to be Nessessary that the School-House in the North-west District is so Small & so much out of repair as to render it very uncomfortable & inconveinant to keep School in as it now is — and it is the Opinion of your Committee that it is not worth repairing — the Expedience of building a new one the present year we would refer to Consideration of the Inhabitants of the Town all which is Humbly Submitted by your Committee

[376.] 2^{d}. Voted to accept the report of the Committee — 3^{d} Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee to see the repairs Compleated accordingly —

The meeting was then Disolved

At a Legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Weston on the Sixth day of may 1795 — To elect & depute some Suitable Person to represent them in the General Court of this Commonwealth the ensewing year the Question being put to the minds of the Town whether they would act upon the warren — and it past in the Negative —

At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Wes-

ton Octr. 5th. 1795 Assembled at the Publick meeting House in S^{d}. Town for the following Purposes, viz —

1st To Choose a Moderator of S^{d}. meeting —

2^{d} To grant a Sum of money Sufficient to pay the Rev^{d} m^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Kendal his Sallery for one Year next Succeeding the the 5th. day of Novr. 1795 —

3^{d}. To Provide twenty Cords of wood for the Rev^{d} m^{r} Kendal

4th. To know the minds of the Town whether they will Provide a reading & writing School in the Different parts of the Town as usal or act any thing relative to the matter —

5 To grant Such a Sum of money as Shall appear to be Nessessary & expedient for the Support of Schooling & Other usal & incidental charges of the Town —

6 To hear the Town Treasurers accounts & act thereon

7th To hear the Town Creditors accts and act thereon

8 To hear all reasonable requests for the abatement of Taxes and act thereon —

9. To know the minds of the Town whether they will build Porches to the Meeting House or to hear such Proposals as may be made relative thereto and to Such other alterations as may be proposed and act thereon or act any thing relative thereto.

[377.] 10 To know the minds of the Town relative to procuring a plan of the Town to hear what may be offered upon the Subject and act thereon —

11 To see if the Town will permitt Artemas ward and Such Others as may Subscribe for a private School to improve the School house in the western middle District when the same Shall not be Occupied by the Town —

1 M^{R}. Thad^{s}. Spring *was Chosen moderator of S^{d}. meeting*

2 Voted to grant the Sum of Ninty Pounds to pay the Rev^{d} m^{r} Sam^{ll} Kendal his Sallery for one year next Succeeding the 5th day of Novr 1795 —

3^{d} Voted that Capt. Jones Messrs. Thad^{s}. Spring Sam^{ll}. Train Elisha Stratton & Abr^{m}. Harrington be a Committee to provide twenty cords of wood for the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Kendal — and also wood for the use Several Schools

4th Voted to grant the Sum of one Hundred and eight

Pounds to provide Pasters for the School Housen in Town — each District to share an equal Proportion thereof —

5th. Voted that Artemas ward Esqr. Messrs. Joseph Russell Thos. Rand Isaac Hobbs & Thads. Spring be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to draw a plan of Porches Proposed to built to the Meeting House and to hear Proposals relative thereto and report to the Town at the adjournment of this meeting —

6 Voted that there be a plan of the Town Provided with the length and direction of all the roads therein, noticing all Publick Buildings &c

7 voted that this meeting be adjourned to the first monday in Novr at 2 o,Clock P : M : — Meet according to adjournment

1. voted to accept the Town Treasurers accts. as Exhibeted

2 Voted to grant the Sum of three Hundred & fifty Pounds to defrey the expence of Schooling & other usal & incidental Charges of the Town —

3 voted to grant the Sum of twenty Pounds to be paid to the Revd mr Kendall for the present year in addition to his usal & Stipulated Sallery —

4 voted that Artemas ward and Others may occupy the School House in the western middle District in keeping a privat School when the same is unoccupied by the Town —

5th Voted that the Consideration of the article relative to Building Porches be postponed untill the Annual March Meeting — the Meeting was then Disolved

[NOTE. — *This was the last record of the Town Book as originally made. Sometime after* 1803, *the book was rebound, and the following records, covering about one hundred and fifty pages, were bound with it.*]

[378.] **1796**

At a meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Weston on monday the Seventh day of March 1796 being Legally Assembled at the Publick meeting house in Sd. Town for the following Purposes Viz

1st. To Choose a moderator of Said meeting —

2d. To choose Select-men Collectors and all other Town officers that the Law requires —

3 To Stipulate and agree with Collectors upon the price of Collecting Taxes —

4th. To hear the Town Treasurers Accounts and act thereon

5th. To hear the Town Creditors accounts and act thereon

6th To know the minds of the Town whether thier Swine Shall go at large the year ensewing or act any thing that relates there to —

7th. To know the minds of the Town whether they will repair thier high-ways by a rate the Year ensewing, and if so, grant money therefor —

8th. To hear and act upon a list prepared for the Jury Box

9th. To know the minds of the Town whether they will provide a womens School two months in each of School-housen in Town, or act any thing relative to the matter —

10th. To hear all the reasonable requests for the abatement of Taxes and act thereon or act any thing relative to the matter

11th. To hear the request of mr. Nathan Hager and Others relative to building a School-house in the North-west District and to make such Provision therefor as shall appear to be Nessessary or act any thing relative to the matter

[379.] 12th: To hear the report of the Committee that was raised in October last. to draw a Plan of Porches proposed to be built to the meeting-House, and to hear Proposals from any Persons relative thereto and to act any matter or thing relative to the same — and also to give thier other Committee instructions wether they shall or shall not proceed to make such alterations in the front gallery (agreeably to thier former Directions) for the better accomadation of the Singers as hath been proposed — or any other alteration that the Town Shall think expedient or act any thing relative thereto —

13 To hear the request of mr Increase Leadbetter relative to Discontinuing a Town way near his House and act thereon

1st. Artemas Ward Esqr. *Chosen moderator of Said meeting*

2. Selectmen
- Artemas Ward Esqr
- Nathan Hagar
- Abrm. Harrington
- Elisha Stratton
- Samll. Train jur

Town Clerk	ISAAC HOBBS
Town Treasurer	EBEN^{R} : HOBBS
Assessors	MESS^{RS}. THAD^{S} : SPRING, JOSEPH RUSSELL & ENOCH TRAIN
Constable & Collector	M^{R}. NATHAN FISK to Collect the Taxes a 5^{d}. p^{r}. £
Surveyors of High-ways	MESS^{RS}. JOSEPH LIVERMORE, NATHAN HOBBS, JACOB SANDERSON — ABIJAH FISK and JOHN LAMSON
Tythingmen :	MESS^{RS}. JOSEPH LIVERMORE & ISAAC GOULD
Hogreaves	EBEN^{R}. FISK and WILLIAM LAWRENCE
Field Drivers	SAM^{LL}. COBB & NATHAN WARREN
Fence Viewers	SAM^{LL}. TRAIN & MICAH WARREN
Sealars of Leath	THO^{S} WARREN & JOSIAH HASTINGS
Surveyor of Hemp	JOSEPH LIVERMORE
Surveyor of Lumber	ISAAC GOULD and THO^{S} BIGLOW

[380.] Surveyor of Bread, JOSEPH LIVERMORE

Surveyor & Paker of Beef & Pork	CAP^{T}. MATTHEW HOBBS & DANIEL BOYLES
To take care of the meeting-House	EZRA FISKE at four Dollars and 50 cents p^{r}. annum

3^{d} Voted to allow the following Accounts viz

	£	S	d
To m^{r} Joseph Russell for his Services as an assessor and Sundry Other Services	3	15	9
To Capt Joseph Nichols for his Services as an Assessor .	3	4	0
To m^{r} Nathan Fiske for warning Six Town meetings 48/ Serving Constable 24/	3	12	0
To Eben^{r} Hobbs for his Service as Treasurer . . .	3	12	0

4th. voted not to act upon that Article in the warrent relative to Liberating the Swine

5 Voted to grant the Sum of Two Hundred Pounds to be worked out Six Pence p^{r} Hour for man or Team —

the meeting Adjourned to the first monday in April next at two o,Clock P M —

Monday April 4th. meet According to Adjournment

1st. Voted that the Town Treasurers Accounts be allowed as exhibeted —

2d. Voted to accept of the list Prepared for the Jury Box

3d: Voted that each of the School Districts in Town may draw out of the Treasurey the sum of twenty Dollars for the Purpose of Providing a Womans School the ensewing Sumer —

[NOTE. — *In copying from his Minutes, now on file, the Town Clerk omitted one vote, an important one. In the Minutes, it follows subdivision 4 of the abatement taxes, but is numbered 3d: It is as follows : —*

3d: Voted that there shal' be a School-House built in the North-west District of the Same Dementions of that in the North east District and that the Selectmen be a Committee to build and Compleat the Same.]

4th. Voted the following abatement of Taxes Viz

1st. The arrears of Jonas Peirce former Collector

[381.] 2d in the list of Capt. Joseph Nichols

	£	S	d
Enoch Harringtons Taxes the Sum of . .	0	9	3
and Joseph Jones,s Taxes the Sum of . .	0	9	3

3d in Collector Harringtons lists

Cornelius Bassetts Taxes the Sum that he Paid at Concord being	0	12	5
also mary Steadmans Taxes the Sum . .	0	4	4
also Charles Stimson	0	10	4

4th. Voted that Daniel Stratton a late Collector be permitted to draw out of the Treasurey the Sum of eight Shillings and one Peney on account of Nathan Thayers Taxes borne upon his lists but that the Said Stratton be held to replace the Same Sum in the Treasurey whenever it may be Collected —

iv^th^. [5th.] on the 12th. Article in the Warrent relative to Accomadating the Singers. 1st voted that the 2d, third, & fourth Seats in the front gallery be removed and that the Space they now Occupy be Converted into two Pews, to be finished Decently now and in Such a manner as shall best accomadate the performers of of that part of Divine Service — and that Sd. Pews

be appropriated (During the Pleasure of the Inhabitants of s^{d}. Town) to the use of the Singers, male & female that already have, or do hereafter acquire Such Skill in that Sublime art as Shall Quallify them to carry on that Part of the Publick worship of God in a Decent and becoming manner —

2^{d} Voted that the former Committee relative to Building Pews for the Singers be Dismissed, and that Artemas Ward Esqr. Deacon Isaac Hobbs Messrs. Joseph Russell & Eben^{r} Brackett be a Committee to cause such Alteration as is above described —

the 13th and last article in the warrent was not acted upon —

the inhabitants of s^{d}. Town Quallified for that purpose gave in thier votes for County Register, agreeably to law on the examination of which there appeared to be Ninteen for m^{r}. Samuel Bartlett and none for any other person —

The Meeting then Disolved

[382.] Att a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on monday the fourth day of April 1796 for Governor Lieu^{t}. Governor and four Counsilors & Senators of this Common-wealth Agreeably to the Constitution thereof votes as followeth viz —

for Govenour	His Exelency Sam^{ll}. Adams Esqr.	had ten votes
	Honble. Increase Sumner	had: fifty-Seven votes
L^{t}. Govenor	His Hon^{r}. Moses Gill Esqr.	had fifty-one votes
	Honble: Increase Sumner	had one vote
	Honble. Edwd. H. Robbins	had one vote
Counsillors and Senators	Eleazer Brooks Esqr.	had 46 votes
	Eben^{r}. Bridge	had 44 votes
	Loamia Baldwin	had 24 votes
	Sam^{ll}. Dexter ju^{r}	had 15 votes
	Isaac Starns	had 13 votes
	Daniel Whitney	had 19 votes
	Artemas Ward	had 11 votes

The Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Constitutionally Quallified and warned being Assembled at the Publick meeting-House in Said Town on the ninth day of may 1796 — did then and there Elect & Depute ARTEMAS WARD ESQ^R. to represent S^d. Inhabitants in the General Court of this Common-wealth the ensewing year —

Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston may 9th. 1796 at the Publick meeting-House in Said Town for the following Purposes viz —

1st To choose a moderator of Said meeting

2^d. To grant money (if they See cause) to build a School-House in the North-westerly District, of the description mentioned in a vote passed at the last march meeting —

[383.] 3^d To grant money (if they See cause) to defray all the Nessary Town Charges for the Year ensewing —

4 to See if the Town will erect Scales for the Purpose of weighing Hay and let the same or do any thing that relates thereto —

5 to See what disposition they will make of the Pew in the meeting-house lately Occupied by the widow Hepzibah Smith which has now reverted to the Town —

6th To hear the request of the Singers for some further accommodations in point of Seats in the meeting-House than was made for them the last march meeting and See if the Town will make any further Provision for them in that behalf —

1st. ARTEMAS WAR^D ESQ^R. *Chosen moderator of s^d. meeting*

2^d: Voted to grant the Sum of Two Hundred Dollars to be Assessed and Collected by the first day of Augt. next —

3^d. Voted to grant the sum of one Thousand Dollars to defray the usal and Incidental charges of the Town, to be assesed in Sepr. next —

4 Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee to make Sale of the Pew latwly Occupied by Hephzibah Smith late of Weston Deceased at Publick Auction this Evening —

5 Voted that the Second, third and fourth Seats in the front

Gallery be Converted into two Pews for the use of the Singers during the Pleasure of the Town —

The meeting then Disolved

The Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified as the Law directs being duly warned, Assembled at the Publick Meeting-House in Said Town on the 24th: day of october 1796 for the following Purposes viz —

1 To Choose a Moderator of Said meeting —

* See Page 385

[NOTE. — *The remainder of the Warrant and the First Article of the Transactions, the Choice of Moderator, may be found as indicated by the Clerk, who blundered in copying.*]

[384.] 2d Voted that Artemas Ward Esqr. & Mr. Joseph Russell be, and they hereby are Appointed a Committee in the behalf of the Town of Weston to Petition the General Court relative to the maintaince of Watertown Bridge

3 Voted that Artemas Ward Esqr. & Mr Joseph Russell be and they hereby are Appointed Agents to answer to & defend the Indictments that are against the Town relative to thier Publick Roads —

4th Voted that Messrs. Joseph Sanderson, Ebenr. Hobbs and Samuel Livermore be a Committee to Provide twenty Cords of fire wood for the Revd. mr Samll Kendal —

5th: Voted to grant the Sum of Ninty Pounds to pay the Revd Mr Samll. Kendal his Sallery for one year next Suceeding the fifth day of Novr. 1796 —

6th Voted that the Sum of Eight Hundred Dollars be granted in addition to one Thousand Dollars granted in may last to defray the usal and incidental Charges of the Town

7th voted that Ninty Dollars be appropriated to each District to Procure reading & writing masters the ensewing Winter

8th. Voted that the following Persons be Committee,s to Provide Schoolmasters in the Districts to which they respectively belong —

viz Messrs. Abijah Fisk, Samll. Train, & Enoch Train

Messrs. Josiah Hastings, John Slack & Josiah Starr

Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Sam^{ll} Kendal Mes^{rs}. Joel Smith & Abr^{m} Harrington

Capt. Isaac Jones, Enoch Greenleaf & Artemas Ward Esqr.s

Messrs. Nathan Hagar Elisha Stratton & Alpheus Biglow

Messrs. Joseph Russell Eben^{r} Hobbs & Nathan Fiske

[385.] 9th. the article in the warrent relative to the Poor past over —

10 the article in the warrent relative to Seating the meeting House not acted upon —

11th Voted that the following Taxes in Constable Fisks lists be abated —

	D	*C*	*m*
Thos. Williams	$2	43	0
Nathan Smith	2	43	0
Moses Harrington	1	16	0
John Hewing	2	20	0

N B John Hewings to be drawn out of the Treasury but to be replaced when ever it may be Collected —

12th Voted that the Singers Male & female may Occupy the three first Seats in the front Gallery during the Pleasure of the Town —

13 Voted that this meeting be Adjourned to monday the 7th day of Novr. a 3 o,Clock P. M:

Meet according to adjournment

1st Voted to accept the Town Treasurers Account as exhibeted

the meeting then Disolved

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2^{d} To appoint agents to perfer a petition to the general Court to relivee them from the Burden of Contributing to the maintainance of Watertown-bridee or Permit them to Share the advantages of the fishery —

3. to appoint agents to answer in thier behalf to the Indictments them for not repairing the bridge over Stoney Brook — and the road which leads from Waltham to Concord —

4 to appoint a Committee to Provide wood for the Rev^{d}. m^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Kendal with which they are obliged by Contract to furnish him — or do any other matter or thing which may be adjudged nessessary touching the same

5th To grant money to pay the Sallery of the Rev^{d}. m^{r} Sam^{ll} Kendal

6 To grant money to Defray the expenc of Schools and all other nessessary Town Charges —

[386.] 7th. to appoint a Committee in each District to hire & pay a School-master therein — and recive from the Treasury such Sum as may be granted for that Purpose —

8th. To examin a calender of the Poor of the Town, hear an estimate of the annual expence of providing for them in the present Mode and see if the Town will adopt any new measure in that be half in futer —

9th. to appoint a Committee to assign seats to the inhabitants in the Publick meeting-house —

10 to hear the Petition of divers Persons in behalf of the Singers respecting a Seat for them in the meeting-house —

11th. to hear any applications for the abatement of Taxes that may be made & act thereon —

12th To hear the Town Treasurer,s Accounts and act thereon

1st. Artemas Ward Esq^{R}. *Chosen Moderator*
See Page 384

The Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified to vote for an Elector, of President and Vice President, of the united States Legally Assembled at the Publick meeting-House in Said Town on monday the 7th day of Novr. 1796 for that Purpose and gave in thier votes which are as followeth. viz —

The Hon^{BLE}. Thos. Dawes had Sixty-four votes
his Exec^{Y} : Sam^{LL} Adams had one vote

The Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Legally Quallified to give in thier votes for a Person to represent them in the

Congress of the united States Assembled for that Purpose on the 7th day of Novr. 1796 and gave in thier votes as followeth Viz —

HARRISON GREY OTIS had Sixty-Six Votes

[387.] 1797

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified to vote in Town affairs, Legally Assembled at the Publick meeting house in Said Town on monday the Sixth day of March 1797 to act on the following Articles viz —

1st. To Choose a Moderator of Said meeting —

2d To choose Selectmen and all other usal Town officers —

3d To hear & Consider the request of mr. Increase Leadbetter for Some further Allowance, for damages Sustained by the County road passing through his land, the Committee of the Court of Sessions not having allowed him a reasonable sum

4 to hear and Consider the application of the Surveyors in behalf of the Several districts; for permition to draw out of the Treasury the money which was Assessed for the Purpose of repairing the high ways for the last year and not worked out; to the end that the same may be expended upon the roads in the Several Districts as was originally intended —

5th To hear the request of Artemas Ward Esqr. Nathan Hagar & Amos Harrington for leave to erect Stables on the Towns Land Contigious to the one owned by Capt. Jones & others —

6th. to Consider and determin whether they will make sale of the work-House and the Lands adjoining, or repair the Same & lease it as has heretofore been done —

7th. to hear & examin the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Town

8th. To consider of the expediency of granting money to repair the High-ways the Present Year —

9 To grant money (if they See cause) for the Purpose of providing a School in the Several Districts the ensewing Summer —

10th. To determin whither thier Swine Shall go at large the ensewing year —

11 To hear the accounts of the Creditors of the Town who may perfer them for allowance —

12 To hear the request of any Person or Persons who may wish for an abatement of thier Taxes —

[388.] 1t. ARTEMAS WARD ESQR *chosen Moderator of Sd. Meeting*

Selectmen	ARTEMAS WARD ESQR NATHAN HAGAR ELISHA STRATTON ABRM. HARRINGTON SAMLL TRAIN JUR.
Town Clerk	ISAAC HOBBS
Town Treasurer	EBENR. HOBBS
Assessors	MESSRS. JOSEPH RUSSELL NATHLL ALLEN, & ENOCH TRAIN
Constables and Collectors	NATHAN FISKE to have $5\frac{3}{4}$d. pr. £ for Collecting
Surveyors of highways	MESSRS. CALEB HAYWARD, JONATHAN WARREN, ABNER RUSSELL THOS. BROWN & JOSIAH HASTINGS
Tythingmen	SAMLL. LIVERMORE & JACOB FISK
Hogreaves	JESSE CHENEY, & DAVID BRACKETT
Field Drivers	EBENR. HOBBS & SAMLL. COBB
Fence Viewers	EPHM. LIVERMORE & ISAAC PEIRCE
Sealers of Leath.	JOSIAH HASTINGS & AMOS HOBBS
Surveyors of Hemp	EPHM. LIVERMORE — — —
Surveyor of Lumber	ISAAC GOULD & DANIEL ALLEN
Surveyor of Bread	CALEB HAYWARD
Surveyor & Paker of Beef & Pork	DANIEL BOYLES & JOSHUA PEIRCE
To take care of the meeting-house	EZRA FISK at 5 Dollars pr. annum

3d. the vote relative to mr Leadbetters request for further allowance for the County road passing through his Land passed in the Negative —

4th Voted that the Several districts that did not work out all thier Highway Taxes the last Year, but shall work them out the present year to the Satisfaction of the Selectmen Shall by thier Order draw out of the Treasury the Sum they have respectively been reassessed in Consiquence of Thier Delinquincy

[389.] 5th Voted to accept the Town Treasurers Accounts as exhibited

6th Voted that this meeting be adjourned to the first monday in April next at three o,Clock in the after noon —

meet according to Adjournment

1st. Voted that the Selectmen together with Messrs. Thos. Rand & Isaac Gould be a Committee relative to the work-House — to act discretionally either to sell, Lease or repair the same

2d. voted to grant the Sum of three Hundred Pounds to be worked out on the high-ways at Nine Pence Pr. Hour for man or Team

3. Voted to grant the Sum of one Hundred and fifty Dollars and to be appropriated for the use of Schooling and equally Divided between the Several Districts —

4th. Voted to allow the following Accounts viz

		D	C	M
To Nathan Fiske for Serving Constable and Warning Seven Town meetings		13	33	1
To Ebenr Hobbs for his Service as Treasurer . . .		12	0	0
To the Assessors for thier Services	Thads Spring . .	11	20	0
	Joseph Russell . .	11	20	0
	Enoch Train . .	11	20	0
To mr. Abner Russell for damages Sustained by an alteration in the Road near his House as marked by the Courts Committee		16	66	6
5 voted to abate Nathan Smiths Taxes for the Year 1794 in Stephen Harringtons lists		2	13	3

6 Voted not to act upon the Article relative to Liberating the Swine —

[390.] 7th. Voted that the request of Artemas Ward Esqr. and others be Committed to Messrs. Joseph Russell, Amos Harington & Ebenr Hobbs —

8th. Voted to abate Increase Leadbetters minister Tax for the year 1796 —

9th Voted to abate Abel Peirces minister Tax for the year 1796 —

the meeting then Disolved

At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on monday the third day of April 1797 for the Choice of Governour Lt. Governour and four Counsilors and Senators of this Common-Wealth agreeably to the Constitution thereof the votes as followeth — viz —

for Governor	HONBLE: INCREASE SUMNER	had Sixty votes
	HIS HONR. MOSES GILL	had Sixteen votes
	HONBLE. JAMES SULLIVAN	had Six votes
for Lt. Govenor	HIS HONR. MOSES GILL	had Sixty votes
	HONBLE. INCREASE SUMNER	had Six votes
	HONBLE. JAMES SULLIVAN	had three votes
Counsilors and Senators	ELEAZER BROOKS	had Seventy Six votes
	EBENR BRIDGE	had Seventy Six votes
	DANIEL WHITNEY	had Seventy Six votes
	ARTEMAS WARD JUR.	had Seventy five votes
	ISAAC STARNS	had two votes
	TIMOTHY BIGLOW	had two votes
	JAMES WINTHROP	had one vote

[391.] The Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified agreeably to the to the Consitution of this common-wealth Legally Assembled at the Publick meeting-house in Said Town on monday the Eighth day of may 1797 and did then & there elect & depute ARTEMAS WARD ESQR to represent them in the General Court the ensewing year —

The inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified as the Law

Directs, being duly warned Assembled at the Publick meeting house in Said Town, for the following Purposes on monday the Second day of October 1797 — viz

1st. To Choose a moderator of Said meeting —

2d To grant money to pay the Revd Mr Samuel Kendal his Sallery for the year ensewing —

3d. To appoint a Committee to Provide the wood for the Revd Mr Samll. Kendal for the year ensewing which the Town are holden to furnish him with by Contract or adopt such other measures in the premises as they may think Proper —

4 To Make a grant to the Revd mr Samll Kendal in addition to his Stated Sallery, in Consideration of the fall of money and the rise of the Nessessaries of Life —

5 To grant money to defray the expenc of Schools and all other Nessessary Town Charges —

6 To appoint Committees, in the several Districts to Provide School-masters, or adopt any other measure in that behalf which they shall think proper

7 To examin the accounts of the Town Treasurer

8th: To hear and pass upon the accounts of the Creditors of the Town —

[392.] 9th To hear the requests of all Persons who may prefer applications for the abatement of Taxes —

10th: To grant money to expend on the County road in the Southerly Part of this Town —

11 To hear the request of any Person or Persons who may apply for the erection of Guide Posts at Places in which the Town in the Judgement of the Selectmen are not Obliged to erect them —

12th. To hear the request of any Person or Persons who may apply for Permission to erect Stables on the Towns land, near the Publick meeting-house —

1st. Artemas Ward Esqr. *chosen moderator of Said meeting*

2d. Voted to grant the Sum of three Hundred Dollars to pay the Revd mr Samll. Kendal his Sallery for the ensewing Year —

3 Voted that messrs. Joseph Russell, Caleb Hayward &

Eben^{r}. Hobbs be a Committee to Provide twenty cords of Wood for the rev^{d}. Mr Sam^{ll}. Kendal for the year ensewing

4th: voted to grant the Sum of one Hundred Dollars to paid to the Rev^{d} m^{r} Sam^{ll} Kendal the ensewing Year in addition to his Stated Sallery —

5 Voted to grant the Sum Eighteen Hundred Dollars to defray the expence of Schools & other Nessessary Town Charges —

6 Voted that one Hundred Dollars of the above sum be allow^{d}. to each School District. and appropriated to Provide reading & writing Masters the ensewing Winter —

[393.] 7th. Voted that the following persons be Committees to Provide Masters for the Several districts viz —

1st. Stephen Harrington, Increase Leadbetter, & Abijah Fiske —

2^{d}. Abr^{m}. Harrington, Isaac Lamson, & Samuel Fiske —

3^{d} Joseph Seaverns, Benj^{a} Rand — and Josiah Hastings

4 Artemas ward Caleb Hayward and Amos Harrington

5 Nathan Hagar, Elisha Stratton, and Alpheus Biglow

6th Joseph Russell Abijah Whitney and Nathan Warren

8th. Voted to accept the Town Treasurer,s Account as exhibeted

	D	*C*	*M*
9th voted to abate Daniel Strattons minister Tax	3	16	0
10th voted to abate moses Aldens Taxes amounting to	2	16	0

11th voted to abate one half of John Strattons Minister Tax

12th: voted to grant the Sum of one Hundred Dollars to repair the County road upon the South side of the Town, and that the charge thereof be Committed to mess^{rs}. Joseph Russell Thad^{s}. Spring and Enoch Train —

the two last articles in the warrent after some debates thereon Subsided without any vote being taken —

the meeting then Disolved

WESTON march 7th. 1796 Rece^{d} of Joseph Nichols ju^{r} Eighteen Pounds in full for a Pew in the Publick meeting-House in Weston adjoining to Col^{o}. Marshalls Pew and m^{r}. Amos Harringtons Sold by by the Committee the 6th. day of april 1795

agreable to a vote of Said Weston which Pew being Struck off to Said Nichols at Publick Vendue is Considered as his Property & his Hiers and assigns forever

THAD SPRING
NATHAN HAGAR } Committee
ELISHA STRATTON } of Sale.
WESTON Apr. 5th 1796 AB^R. HARRINGTON

I here by quit all my Title to the Pew above mentioned To Mr. Jonathan Child

Witness JOS: NICHOLS JU^R

[394.] 1798

(SEAL) COMMONWEALTH OF MASSECHUSETTS

To Nathan Fiske Constable of Town of Weston in the County of Middlesix GREETING

You are hereby required in the name of the Common weath of Massechusetts to notify and warn the freeholders and other inhabitants, of Said Town qualified by law to vote in Town meetings viz such as pay to a Single tax beside the poll or polls, a sum equal to two thirds of a Single poll tax, to assemble at the Publick meeting-house in Said Town on monday the fifth day of March next at one of the Clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles, viz —

1st. To choose a Moderator of Said meeting.

2d. To choose Selectmen and all other town officers required by Law —

3d. To grant money to be expended in repairing the roads, or adopt any mode in repairing them which they may think expedient —

4th. To hear any applications that may be made for the abatement of Taxes and act thereon —

5th To hear and pass upon the accounts of any of the Creditors of the Town, who may prefer them for allowance —

6th. To examin and pass upon the accounts of the Treasurer of the Town. which may be exhibited for allowance & Settlement

7th. To grant money (or appropriate money already granted) for the purpose of providing a womans School in the Several districts the ensewing Summer —

8th. To determin whether Swine shall go at large the ensewing Season being yoaked & ringed according to Law —

9th To examin the list prepared for the jury box and act thereon —

[395.] 10th. To hear the request of any person or persons, who may make Application for permission to erect Stables on the land of the Town the back Side of the meeting —

11th. To consider of the expediency of changing the mode of warning Town meetings in futer —

12 to contract with any person to collect Taxes or do any thing that relates to the same —

Given under our hands and seal this ninteenth day of February in the Year of our Lord seventeen Hundred and Ninty Eight

ARTEMAS WARD
NATHAN HAGAR
ELISHA STRATTON } Selectmen
ABRM. HARRINGTON
SAMLL TRAIN

MIDDLESEX ss WESTON Febry 26 1798

In Obidienc to the above warrent I have notified and Warned all the freeholders and other of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston according to the directions thereof —

NATHAN FISKE Constable for Weston

The Inhabitants of Weston, being assembled in consequence of and agreeable to the above warrent, the same being read to them, they proceeded to act upon the Several Articles thereof as followeth viz —

1st ARTEMAS WARD ESQR. *chosen moderator of Said meeting*

Selectmen { JOSEPH RUSSELL
NATHAN HAGAR
ELISHA STRATTON
ALPHEUS BIGLOW
SAMLL : TRAIN }

Town Clerk	Isaac Hobbs
Town Treasurer	Joseph Russell
[396.] Assessors	Thad^{s}. Spring Nathan Fisk, Sam^{ll} Fiske Elisha Stratton, & Enoch Train
Surveyors of High ways & Collectors	Isaac Jones Alpheus Biglow Nathan Fisk Amasa Spring & Stephen Harrington
Tythingmen	Eben^{r}. Fisk and Sam^{ll}. Livermore
Hogreaves	Eben^{r}. Brackett and Jesse Cheney
Field Drivers	Ephr^{m}. Flagg & Thos Brown
Fence Viewers	Amos Sanderson and Enoch Train
Sealers of Leath	Nathan Hagar and Jacob Sanderson
Surveyor of Hemp	Jonathan Warren
Surveyors of Lumber	Jacob Gould and matthew Hobbs
Surveyor of Bread	Caleb Hayward
Surveyor & Paker of pork & Beef	Matthew Hobbs and Daniel Boyles
Saxton	Ezra Fisk at five Dollars p^{r}. annum

3^{d}. Voted to grant the sum of one Thousand Dollars to repair the highways to be worked out thereon at nine pence p^{r} Hour for man or Team —

$1000

4th. Voted that the Treasurers Accounts be allowed as exhibeted

5th. the meeting then adjourned to the first monday in April next at one of Clock in the afternoon

met according to adjournment

1st. Voted that the Surveyors of Highways be Collectors of the sums Committed to them to collect —

2^{d}. Voted to abate the following Taxes in Nathan Fisks lists viz —

Noah Stearns Taxes	$2	18	0
Elisha Parker Taxes	2	18	0
Obed Starns Taxes as far as it respects his Property (or all but his Poll Tax)			

[397.] 3d. voted to allow the following Accounts — viz —

	D	C	M
To Nathan Fiske for Serving Constable and warning Town meetings	12	10	0
To Nathll. Allen for his Service as an Assessor . . .	10	0	0
To Enoch Train for his Service as an assessor . . .	9	0	0

4th. Voted that twenty-five Dollars of the money already granted & assessed be appropriated to each School district for the Purpose of Providing Schooling for Children the ensewing Summer —

5 Voted to accept the list Prepared for the Jury Box

the eighth tenth & eleventh Articles in the warrent were not Acted upon —

The meeting then Disolved

At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on monday the 2d. day of April 1798 for the Choice of Governor, Lieut. Governor and four Counsellors and Senators of this Common Wealth agreeably to the Constitution thereof the votes were as followeth viz —

For Governor	His Exelcy. Increase Sumner Esqr had Seventy-one votes His Honr. Moses Gill Esqr. had Six votes
For Leut. Governor	His Honr. Moses Gill Esqr had Sixty nine votes His Excy. Increase Sumner Esqr. had three votes
For Senators and Counsillors	Eleazer Brooks Esqr. had Seventy-two votes Ebenr. Bridge Esqr. had Seventy two votes Timothy Biglow Esqr. had Seventy two votes Artemas Ward Esqr had Sixty-Six votes Daniel Whitney Esqr had One vote Josiah Bartlet Esqr. had five votes

[398.] The Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified agreeably to the Constitution of this Common-wealth being Legally Assembled at the Publick meeting-house in Said Town on monday the [fourteenth] day of may in the year of our Lord 1798 did then & there elect and depute ARTEMAS WARD ESQR. to represent them in the general Court the ensewing year —

At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town Weston at the Publick meeting-House in Said Town on the seventeenth day of Seprember 1798 at one of the clock in the afternoon then & there —

1st. To choose a moderator of Said meeting —

2d. To hear the Town Treasurers Accounts and act thereon

3d. To grant money to pay the Revd. mr Samll. Kendal his Sallery the ensewing year —

4th. To Choose a Committee to provide fire wood for do the year ensewing agreeably to the Original contract with him or adopt any other plan, relative thereto which they may think proper —

5 To grant such Sums of money to Defray the expenc of Schools and all other Nessessary Town charges as as they shall Judge Expedient —

6th. To choose Committees to Provid School-masters in the Several Districts or take any other measures relative thereto which they may Judge proper —

7th. To hear the Town Creditors Accounts and act thereon

8 To hear the requests of all Persons who may Apply to have thier Taxes abated —

9th. To know the minds of the Town whether all the rateable Inhabitants Shall be Assessed to the ministers Tax —

being Assembled as above described they first

[399.] 1st Voted that MR JOSEPH RUSSELL *be moderator of Said meeting*

2d Voted to grant the Sum of three Hundred Dollars to pay the Revd mr. Samll. Kendal his Sallery the ensewing year —

3d Voted that mr. Thos: Rand Capt. Jona: Fisk and Capt

Alpheus Biglow be a Committee to Provid twenty Cords of fire-wood for the Rev^{d} m^{r} Sam^{ll}. Kendal for the year ensewing —

4th Voted to accept the Town Treasurers Accounts as Exhibeted

5th Voted that Eighty Dollars be Appropriated to each School District —

6 Voted to grant the Sum of twelve Hundred and eighty Dollars, for the Support of Schooling and Other usal and Incidental charges of the Town —

7th. voted to allow m^{r} Thad^{s} Spring Ten Dollars it being his acc^{t}. in full for his Attendance at the general Court concerning the Support of Watertown Bridge —

8 voted to allow Caleb Haywood for repairing the Roads one Dollar and Sixty-Six Cents —

9th Voted that the following persons be Committees to Provide masters & fire-wood for the several School Districts to which they may repsectively belong —

viz Artemas ward Esqr Messrs. Caleb Haywood & Amos Harrington

2 Dea^{n}. Sam^{ll}. Fisk Messrs. Joel Smith & Abr^{m}. Harrington

3 Messrs. Josiah Hastings, Josiah Starr & Sam^{ll} Green

4 Messrs. Sam^{ll}. Cobb Thos. Brown and william Bogle

5 Messrs. Eben^{r} Hobbs Jonathan Warren & Nathan Fiske

6 M^{r}. Elisha Stratton. Capt Alpheus Biglow & Nathan Hagar —

the ninth Article was not Acted upon

The meeting then Dissolved

[400.] 1799

At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on monday the fourth day of march 1799 — at the Publick meeting-house in Said Town Then & there —

1st To choose a moderator of S^{d}. meeting —

2^{d} To choose Selectmen & other Town Officers required by Law for the present year —

3^{d}. To grant money to be expended in repairing the publick roads in S^{d}. Weston —

4th. To hear any requests that may be made for the abatement of Taxes and act thereon —

5 To hear and act upon the Accounts of the Creditors of the Town who may present them for Allowance —

6th. To hear the Town Treasurers Accounts and act thereon

7 To grant money to provide a womans School in the Several Districts the ensewing Summer —

8th. To Determine whether the Swine shall go at large under proper regulations —

9th To agree with any person or persons to Collect Taxes or act any thing relative thereto —

10th: To Choose Agents to take care of the Right in the Watertown Fishery or act any thing that may be Judged Expedient upon the subject —

11 To know the minds of the Town whether they will repair the Work-house or do any thing else relative thereto —

[401.] 1st. Mr. Joseph Russell *Chosen Moderator of Said meeting*

2d. Voted that The following Persons be Selectmen and other Town officers

viz Selectmen	Joseph Russell Nathan Hagar Elisha Stratton Alpheus Biglow Samll. Train
Town Clerk	Isaac Hobbs
Town Treasurer	Joseph Russell
Assessors	Enoch Train Nathan Fiske Elisha Stratton
Surveyors of Highways	Isaac Lamson, Jesse Cheney, John Warren Benaiah Morse & Nahum Train
Tythingmen	Jonathan Warren & Abraham Hewes jur.

Hogreaves	DANIEL BEMIS & LOT BEMIS
Field Drivers	AMOS HOBBS & AMOS SANDERSON
Fence Viewers	NATHAN WARREN & NATHAN HOBBS
Sealers of Leath	JAMES WARREN & JOSIAH HASTINGS
Surveyor of Hemp	EPHRAIM LIVERMORE
Surveyor of Lumber	PHINEHAS BILLINGS & JOHN DUDLEY
Surveyor of Bread	JOEL SMITH
Surveyor & paker of Beef & Pork	MATTHEW HOBBS & ISAAC HOBBS JU^{R}.
Constable & Collector	ENOCH TRAIN to have 5½^{d}. p^{r}. £ for Collecting
To take care of the Meeting house	EZRA FISK at five Dollars p^{r}. Annum

3^{d}. voted to grant the Sum of one Thousand Dollars to be worked out upon the High-ways at nine pence p^{r}. Hour for man or Team —

[402.] 4th that Nathan Fiske late Collector be permitted to draw out of the Treasury the Sum of fourteen Dollars and Sixty-five Cents on acc^{t}. of the Taxes hereafter Named to be replaced when-ever they may be Collected —

	D	C	m
Viz — Doct^{r}. Joseph Gowen	$9	74	0
Capt. —— Ingles.	2	93	0
John Hunt	1	98	0
Total	$14	65	0

5th. Voted to allow the following acc^{ts}.

	D	C	m
viz — To M^{r}. Thaddeus Spring for his Service as an Assessor	7	00	0
To m^{r} Nathan Fisk for Ditto	10	42	0
To m^{r} Elisha Stratton for Ditto	9	00	0
To m^{r} Enoch Train for Ditto	9	00	0
To Deacon Sam^{ll}. Fisk for Ditto	9	00	0
To m^{r}. Joseph Russell for Sundry Services relative to watertown Bridge $20–75 (D c) for Serving Treasurer 12 (D)	32	75	0

6th. Voted to accept the Town Treasurers acct. as Exhibited

7th. Voted to grant the Sum of one Hundred & fifty Dollars to be Equally Divided & appropriated for the Purpose of Procuring a Womans School in each District the ensewing Summer

8th. Voted that Artemas Ward Esqr & Mr. Caleb Hayward be and they hereby are appointed Agents for and in behalf of the Town of Weston to take care of thier Right in the Watertown fishery that the Proceeds thereof may revert to the Town

[403.] 9th Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee to act Discretionally relative to repairing the work-House —

The meeting was then Disolved

at a Legal meeting of the inhabitants of Weston april 1st. 1799 for the choice of Governor Lieut. Governour Councillors & Senators of this Common weath Agreably to the Constitution thereof the votes were brought in as followeth viz —

for Govenour	Increase Sumner Esqr.	had 105	votes
	General Heath	had 34	
for Lt. Gouenour	Moses Gill	had 37	votes
	E. H. Robbins	had 53	
Councillors & Senators	Eleazer Brooks Esqr.	had 107	
	Ebenr Bridge Esqr.	107	
	Daniel Whitney Esqr.	107	
	Timothy Biglow Esqr.	107	
	Wm. Winthrop Esqr.	24	
	Jona Maynard Esqr.	24	
	Genl. Henry Wood	24	
	Colo. Wm. Hildreth	24	

The inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified agreeably to the Constitution of this Common-wealth being Legaly assembled at the Publick meeting-house in Said Town on the Sixteenth day of may in the Year of our Lord one Thousand seven Hundred & Ninty-nine did then and there elect & depute Artemas Ward Esqr. to represent them in the General Court the ensewing year —

[404.] At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Weston Octr. 7th. 1799 being Assembled at the publick meeting house in Said Town for the purpose hereafter mentioned viz

1st. to choose a moderator of Said meeting —

2 To grant the Rev^{d} m^{r} Sam^{ll} Kendals Sallery for the year ensewing — also to make provision for Supplying him with his fire wood according to Original Stipulation with him

3^{d} To hear thier Treasurer,s Accounts & act thereon

4th. To grant Such a sum of money as shall be judged Expedient for the Nessessary charge of Supporting the poor of the Town &c

5 To know the minds of the Town what Provision they will make for Schools the year ensewing —

6th To hear the Petition of Thos. Rand and Others relative to having leave to build Stables upon the Vacant Land that belongs to the Town between Capt. Isaac Jones,s Stable and the Stable of Enoch Greenleaf Esqr. and act thereon —

7th. To hear the Petition of John Warren & others and act thereon relative to granting a Sum of money for the encouraging improvement in Singing &c —

8th To know the minds of the Inhabitants of Said Town what shall be done with money that was Assessed upon the Dogs in said Town the year last passed —

9th To know minds of the Town wether they will provide a Carriage & Harniss to carry the remains of Deceased persons to the grave or act any thing relative thereto —

10 to know the minds of Said Inhabitants whether they will adopt any measures for Making Alterations in the publick meeting-House and puting the same into a State of decent repair ; or act any thing that they shall judge expedient

[405.] 11 To hear the Town Creditors accounts & act thereon

12 To hear the requests (if any are presented) for the Abatement of Taxes and act thereon —

The doings of said Inhabitants upon the abov Warrent are as follows viz —

1st. MR Joseph Russell *Chosen Moderator of Said meeting*

2d Voted to grant the sum of three Hundred Dollars to pay the Revd. mr Samll. Kendal his Sallery for the ensewing year

3 Voted that Messrs. Caleb Hayward, Elisha Stratton and Nathan Warren be a Committee to Provide twenty Cords fire wood for the Revd. mr Kendal for the ensewing year —

[4th.] 6th Voted to grant Six Hundred Dollars for the Support of Schooling —

[5th.] 7th School Committee:
- Artemas Ward, Caleb Hayward, & Amos Harrington
- Abijah Whitney, Nathan Warren & John Warren
- Jacob Fisk John Lamson & Samll. Fisk
- Nathan Hagar Elisha Stratton & Daniel Stratton
- Abijah Fisk Samll Train & Nathll. Davis
- Benjm. Rand Josiah Hastings & Jonas Billing

[6th.] 8th on the Petition of Thos Rand and Others praying for leave to erect Stables on Lands which belong to the Town Described in thier Petition — it is Voted that the Petitioners with such Others as Shall Assosiate with them, have leave to erect Stables on the Spot Described in thier Said petition they making an Accomodation with those who are the Proprietors of the Old Stables now Standing thereon & extinguishing thier claims thereto if any such they have Saving & reserving however, for the use of the Town within the Limits afore-said an extent Sufficient to cover a Hearse which may be built for the use of the Town —

[7th.] 9th. on the Petition of John Warren & others relative to the Encouraging the Art of Singing Voted to grant Fifty Dollars for that Purpose —

[406.] 8th Voted that the Money Assessed upon Dogs be paid into the Treasury —

9th. Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee to provide a Hearse to Carry the remains of Deceased Persons to the place of Interment —

10th. Voted that Artemas Ward Esqr. Capt. Isaac Jones Mr Joseph Russell Capt. Jonathan Fisk Mr Thos. Rand Deacon Isaac Hobbs Mr. John Slack Mr. Ebenr Hobbs & mr Caleb Hayward be a Committee to Consider & report what Altera-

tions and repairs are expedient to be made to the Publick meeting-House —

11. Voted to allow the following Accounts viz

To mr Enoch Train for warning five Town meeting at eight Shillings each $6 67

12th vote to Abate the Taxes of Alexander Smith for the year 1797

The meeting was then Adjourned to the 2d monday in Novr. next at 2 o,Clock in the Afternoon —

met according to adjournment

1st. Voted to accept the report of the Committee that was raised to Consider & report what Alterations and repairs are expedient to be made to the Publick meeting-house

2d. Voted that Artemas ward Esqr. mr John Stimson Capt John Flagg Messrs. Caleb Hayward Ebenr Hobbs, Joel Smith and Isaac Lamson be a Committee to Carry the report of the above Committee into Effect —

The meeting was then Disolved

[NOTE. — *The record of the above meeting and adjournment varies from the "Minutes" now on file. See Art.* [6th.], [7th.], *and* 9th. — *M. F. P.*]

[407.] at a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on Novr. 11th. 1799 at the Publick meeting House in said Weston for the purpose Described in a Warrent for Said meeting which are as followeth viz —

1st. To Choose a moderator of Said meeting —

2d. To know the minds of Said Inhabitants if they will agree upon any mode of Notifying and warning the inhabitants of Said Weston. when Jurors are Called for by any Lawfull Authority Different from the mode in which we now Assemble our Common Town meetings, according to the Liberty given by a Law of this Common-Wealth Passed Febry. 1794 —

3d The inhabitants being Assembled agreeably to a Warrent for Said meeting; (which Warrent likewise Contained the following article viz to know the minds of Said inhabitants whether they will adopt a less expensive mode of warning any publick Town meetings for the futer or act any thing relative to the Premises) Voted as followeth viz —

1st. voted that Mr Joseph Russell *be moderator of Said meeting*

2d voted that in futer that when a Venarie is receved by a Constable in Weston that if there be Town-meeting five days before the Setting of the Court to whom the Venarie is returnable that he notify on the publick Town meeting that he has such a Venarie and that he appoints meeting at such Time & place as he thinks fit, and it Shall be Authentic: but if there is no Town meeting at which Said notification can be Seasonably made then the Said Constable notify & warn Said inhabitants by Posting up at the Door of the Publick meeting-house (at least Eight days before the Setting of the Court to which Said Venarie is returnable) of the time & place of drawing said Jurymen, Particularly Notifying the Selectmen and Town Clerk —

3d. this Article relative to a new mode of warning Town meetings Passed in the Negative —

The meeting was then Disolved

[408.] **1800**

at a Legal meeting of the inhabitants of Weston March 3d. 1800 at the Publick meeting House in Said town for the Purposes hereafter writen viz —

1st. To Choose a Moderator of Said meeting —

2d To Choose Officers to conduct the common affairs of the Town for the year ensewing —

3d To make Provision for the repairing the High-ways the ensewing year —

4th To know the minds of the Inhabitants of the Town whether they will have Women Schools as usal & grant money for thier Support. or act any thing relative thereto —

5 to the minds of the Town whether they will act any thing relative to thier Swine —

6 to hear the Town Treasurers Accounts & act thereon —

7 To hear the Creditors Accounts & act thereon —

8 To hear the reasonable requests that may be presented for the abatement of Taxes and act thereon —

9th. To know the minds of Said inhabitants whether they will permit those Persons who are termed Baptists and those termed Methodists, to draw the sums they were Severaly Assessed in the ministers Tax for the year 1798 out of the Treasury or act any thing relative to the Premises —

10 To hear the request of Mr Samuel Livermore &c to know the minds of the Inhabitants of the Town whether those who have not paid thier taxes before the annual fall meeting the Collectors Shall exhibet thier Lists before the Town and have the Delinquents Names read off —

[409.] 11th To hear the request of mr. John Slack relative to having the Old Road which leads from the new County road near the School-house in the South-east District to the road near the house which used to be Occupied by Josiah Upham, Discontinued and in Stead of Said road to have one laid out from the Dwelling house of mr Torrey, by the House of now Occupied by Abiathar Johnson to the middle of the River or act anything relative thereto

The doings of Said inhabitants upon the above warrent are as followeth — Viz —

1t. Artemas Ward Esqr *Chosen Moderator of Said meeting*

2 Selectmen	Artemas Ward Esqr. Ebenr Hobbs Isaac Lamson John Slack Nathan Fisk
Town Clerk	Isaac Hobbs
Town Treasurer	Artemas Ward Esqr
Assessors	Matthew Hobbs Nathl. Allen Enoch Train
Surveyors of high ways	Ephm. Livermore, Jacob Fisk, Amos Lamson, Ebenr Hobbs, & Nathan Hagar
Tythingmen	Ebenr Fisk & Josiah Hastings
Hogreaves	Ebenr Brackett & Ephm. Flagg
Field Drivers	Abijah Park, Nathll. Davis

Fence Viewers	MATTHEW HOBBS & JON^A. WARREN
Sealers of Leath	JAMES WARREN & EBEN^R BRACKETT
Surveyor of Hemp	SAM^LL. LIVERMORE
Surveyor of Lumber	ISAAC LAMSON & CALEB HAYWARD
Surveyor of Bread	CALEB HAYWARD
Surveyor & Paker of Beef & Pork	MATTHEW HOBBS & DANIEL BOYLES

EZRA FISK to take Care of the meeting house

[410.] Constables & Collector	NATHAN FISK To have five & a half pence p^r. £ for Collecting —

3^d. Voted to grant the Sum of one Thousand Dollars to be Worked out upon the High-ways at nine pence p^r. hour for man or Team —

4th. Voted to grant the Sum of one Hundred [and fifty] Dollars to provide a womans School in the Several districts to be equally divided and appropriated to each District —

5 on the article for abatement of Taxes — none abated

6th. Voted to allow the Creditors of the Town as followeth viz

To m^r Joseph Russell for Serving as Treasurer the Sum of twelve Dollars	$12	0	0
To m^r Elisha Stratton for his Service as an Assessor . .	10	50	0
To m^r Nathan Fisk for Ditto	11	63	0
To Enoch Train for Ditto	10	50	0
To Enoch Train for warning 8 Town meetings . . .	8	0	0
To the Same Person for a Bounty for Serving Constable .	4	0	0

7 Voted to accept the Treasurers Accounts as exhibited

8 on the Article relative to the Swine,s going at large the vote passed in the Negative —

9 voted to accept of list as prepared for the Juror Box

10th the 10th. Article in the warrent Passed in the Affirmative

11th Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee to act Discretionally relative to alterations in the road in the South easterly district

The meeting was then Disolved

[411.] at a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on the 7th. day of April in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred, for the Purpose of giving in thier votes for Governor, Lieut Govenour, Counsellors, and Senators, agreeably to the Constitution of this Common-wealth, the votes were brougt in as followeth viz

fir Governour	HONBLE. CALEB STRONG ESQR.	had 115 votes
	ELBRIDGE GERRY ESQR.	had 21 votes
	HIS HONR. MOSES GILL ESQR.	had 5 votes
for Lt. Governor	MOSES GILL ESQR.	had 77 votes
	CALEB STRONG ESQR.	had 2 votes
	ELBRIDGE GERRY ESQR.	had 4 votes
	FISHER AMES ESQR.	had 23 votes
	EDWD ROBBINS ESQR	had 4 votes
	WM. HEATH ESQR	had 3 votes
Senators and Councilors	HONBLE. ELEAZER BROOKS ESQR	had 120 votes
	EBENEZER BRIDGE ESQR.	had 120 votes
	TIMOTHY BIGLOW ESQR.	had 120 votes
	JOSIAH BARTLETT ESQR.	had 120 votes
	GENERAL WM. HULL ESQR.	had 21 votes
	WILLIAM HILDRETH ESQR	had 21 votes
	JONATHAN MAYNARD ESQR	had 21 votes
	AARON HILL ESQR	had 21 votes

The Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified agreeably to the Constitution of this Common—wealth being Legally Assembled at the Publick meeting—house in said Town on the 12th. day of may in the year of our Lord Eighteen Hundred did then & there elect & depute ARTEMAS WARD ESQR. to represent them in the General Court the ensewing year —

[412.] at a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston may 12th. 1800 for the Purpose hereafter Named viz —

1st. To Choose a Moderator of Said meeting —

2 To dertermin whether they will instruct thier Committee for making repairs and Alterations in the Publick meeting

House to erect a Steple on the Tower instead of turning a Cupola, as was Contemplated, in a former vote of the town provided the difference in the expenc Shall be raised & paid by Subscription —

3 To determin whether they will permit m^r Joel Smith to place his fence, in front of the Publick meeting house Six feet further North than it now stands ; provided he adds about three Rods of Land, to the Common Land at the North-easterly corner of the meeting-House by fencing out that quanty of the Southeasterly Corner of his Lot there Situate

1st. ARTEMAS WARD ESQ^R *Chosen Moderator*

2 The Article in the Warrent relative to erecting a Steple on the Tower of the Meeting-house, instead of turning a Cupola, passed in the affirmative —

3^d. The article in the Warrent relative to Exchanging Lands with m^r Joel Smith was refered to the Selectmen

The Meeting was then Disolved

[413.] *To* NATHAN FISKE *constable of the Town of Weston* GREETING

In the name of the common-wealth of Massechusetts, you are hereby required to Notify and warn the free holders & Other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston quallified by law to vote in town—meetings, viz such as pay to a Single tax beside the Poll or Polls a Sum equal to two thirds of single Poll Tax, to meet & assemble at the Publick meeting-house in Weston on Monday the twenty-fifth day of August at two of the clock in the After-noon to act on the following Articles viz —

1st. to choose a moderator of Said meeting —

2^d to grant a sum of money to, or make Some Provision for the Militia Officers & Soldiers, in consideration of the extraordinary expenc to which they are likely to be subjected by means of the review which is take place on the 27th. & 28 instant

3^d to grant money to pay the Sallery of the Rev^d m^r

Sam^{el} Kendall for the year of his Settlement ending in Novr. 1801

4 To make the Nessessary provision for furnishing him with the quanty of wood, with wich the Town are holden to furnish for the year aforesaid —

5th. to raise Committees in the School districts, or adopt any other measure touching the premises, which they the Said inhabitants shall think proper —

6th to hear from the Collector of Taxes for the last year, a report of the progress which he has made in the Collection of Taxes Committed to him to Collect and act thereon —

7th to hear the Town Treasurers Accounts, examine, consider & act thereon —

8 to hear applications for the abatement of Taxes and act thereon

9th to recive the accounts of the Creditors of the Town and act thereon —

[414.] 10th. to grant money for the Support of the Poor, for the Support of Schools, and for defraying all other Nessessary town charges —

11th. to hear the request of the Committee, raised some time since, for the purpose of making repairs and alterations in the Publick meeting-house, consider of the expences which have been incured in prosecuting the business aforesaid and act thereon —

12th. To See if they will instruct the Said committee to make any further repair & alterations than those that were contemplated in the report of the committee at the last fall meeting —

13th. to appoint an Agent (if they they see cause) to join with such Agents as may be appointed by Watertown & Waltham in a petition to the General Court for a repeal of the law granting the right of taking the fish called Shad & Alewives within the limits of Watertown, Waltham and Weston to the inhabitants of said towns and for the passing of an act Discharging the inhabitants of Weston & Waltham from Contributing any further towards the maintainance of the Bridge in Watertown over Charles River —

Given under our hands & Seal this fourteenth day of August in the year of our Lord Eighteen Hundred —

ARTEMAS WARD
EBEN^R HOBBS
ISAAC LAMSON
JOHN SLACK
} Selectmen of Westown

MIDDLESIX SS: WESTON August 25 1800

in obedience to the above I have Notified & warned the freeholders & others of the inhabitants of the town of Weston according to the directions of the above Warrent

NATHAN FISK Constable for Weston

[415.] The doings of the Inhabitants on the Preceeding warrent are as followeth — viz —

1st. ARTEMAS WARD ESQ^R. *Chosen moderator of Said meeting*

2^d Voted that the Captains of each respective Company Shall Draw out of the Treasurey each thier proportionable part of fifty Dollars & fifty Pound of Powder, to be equally distributed a mongest the Soldiers that belong to Town and Perform thier duty at concord at the review to take place there on the 27th & a 28th Instant —

3^d on the eleventh Article in the warrent voted that Messrs Joseph Russell, Moses Fuller, & John Slack be a Committee To examin the accounts of the Committee for repairing the Publick meeting-House —

4 Voted that Artemas ward Esqr. be and he hereby is appointed an Agent in behalf of the Town for the Purposes Sett forth in the 13th. Article of the warrent for this meeting

Adjourned to the first Monday in in October next at 2 of the Clock P. M —

mett according to Adjournment

1st. Voted to grant the Rev^d m^r Sam^ll. Kendall three Hundred Dollars as Sallery for the ensewing year —

2^d Voted that Messrs. Jonathan Warren, Caleb Hayward & Joel Smith be a Committee to provide twenty Cords of Wood for the Rev^d m^r Sam^ll Kendall for the ensewing year —

3d. School Committee,s — viz —

Messrs. Jesse Cheney, Uriah Gregory, & Alpheus Biglow

Messrs. Ebenr Hobbs, Nathan Fisk & Nathan Warren

Messrs. Samll. Fisk, John Lamson & Amos Lamson

[416.] Messrs. Artemas Ward, Caleb Hayward & Amos Harrington

Messrs. Abijah Fisk Samll. Train & Thos. Brown

Capt. Morse, Messrs. Moses Fuller & Charles Starns

4th. Voted that the Collector pay the ballence remaining in his hands, into the Treasurey on or before the first monday in Novr. next —

5 Voted to accept the Town Treasurers Accounts as exhibited

6 on the abatement of Taxes none abated —

7 Voted that Mr. Joseph Russell, (for Services done for the Town) be Allowed the Sum of	$10	20	0
Mr Joel Smith for a Pew built by his Father .	8	0	0
Mr. John Slack for a Pew built by . .	8	0	0

8th. voted that Six hundred Dollars shall be appropriated for the use of Schooling —

9th. Voted that the meeting be Adjourned to 3d Monday of Octr. Instant

Mett According to Adjournment

1st voted to grant the Sum of Three Thousand Dollars for the Support of Schooling; for the maintainance of the Poor, to Discharge the debts of the town and for all usal and incidental Charges —

2d The inhabitants of the Town (agreably to the 11th. Article in the Warrent) attended to the report of thier Committee raised for the Purpose of making repairs & Alterations in the publick meeting-house which is as followeth viz —

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston in Town meeting Assembled Octr. 20th. 1800 —

The Committee raised for the purpose of making repairs and alterations in the publick meeting house have attended that Service and ask leave, to make [417.] the following report. it is

with regret that they find the expences, of the repairs & alterations greatly exceed what was Contemplated ; before they entered upon the business ; but they flatter them Selves that the inhabitants of the Town when they are fully informed of the State, in which the meeting house was found to be, on examination, and how much more extensively it Proved to be Nessessary to proceed in the repairs than was imagined in the out Sett in order to have the full benefitt of what was then Proposed to be done, when they compare its present appearance & State with that which it formerly bore, will be Satisfied & full of Conviction that thier money has that thier money has been Juditiously laid out & applied with all Possiable prudence & Occonemy — sure your Committee are that they have expended no Sum of money nor adopted any measure in the course of this business, which they should not have done and embraced had been thier private concern — that the inhabitants may have the means of forming a Correct Judgment on this subject, your Committee have, in this report given a detail of the expences & the Several Sources from which they arose they are as followeth viz

Mr Samll Torreys Acct. for Nails, screws, hinges glass &c as appear by his bill	$90	65	0
Major David Goodwins Bill for work done on the Tower & Spire removing the Stairs into the gallery & Preparing the ground for pews	186	34	0
Major David Goodwins Bill for Shingling the roof, lowering the windows & puting up Cornish & finishing the Coving	60	0	0
Mr Call, Bill for Lumber	21	75	0
Major whites Bill for Nails	3	58	0
Mr Lot Merriam,s Bill for Collecting riging &c and assisting in raising the Tower returning the riging &c .	9	0	0
Mr Lot Merriams bill for 720 feet of Timber x 50 Clapbords	33	15	0
Mr. Isaac Goulds, John Dudley & Joseph Russell jur bill for a Jobb of work to wit for finishing the Tower & Porches	350	0	0
Messrs. Goulds Dudleys & Russells bill for work by the day after deducting the bords & nails taken by them to make three Coffins	91	58	0

[418.] the amount bro^{t}. over	$846	5	0
Mr Isaac Goulds Major Goodwins John Dudleys & Joseph Russell ju^{r} Bill for a Jobb. Building Pews &c . .	105	0	0
Messrs. Goodwins Goulds Dudleys & Russells bill for work by the day	12	0	0
Mr John Rands bill for for reparing seats altering Pews &c	19	50	0
Aaron Whittemores bill for Carting one m of boards from Watertown. To Carting the riging from Boston & bringing one Hh^{d}. of lime from Boston . . .	5	25	0
m^{r} Nath^{ll} Bemises bill to 2½ days work himself & Team underpining the meeting-house	6	25	0
m^{r} Lot Bemises bill for 2½ days work of himself underpining the meeting-house	3	12	0
Mr David Brackett, bill for iron work &c	72	20	0
Mr Nathan Childs & others bill for raising the Tower .	10	0	0
Messrs. Butterfield & Hows bill for 1250 feet of board .	19	35	0
m^{r} Tucks bill for Spirrits of Turpine	2	33	0
m^{r} Osburns for ½ lb Prusian blue for Vitoral . . .	2	42	0
for Oakums	0	67	0
Mr Bates bill for one Barrell of fish Oil	13	0	0
m^{r}. Thos Rands bill for the frame of the Tower . .	140	50	0
m^{r} Isaac Goulds bill for the frame of the two Porches .	87	92	0
m^{r}. Thos Rands bill for 220 feet of Oak Joist & 30 Ditto Pine Timber	7	82	0
m^{r}. Abra^{m} Haven,s bill for painting & for Canisters &c .	44	9	0
m^{r}. John Stimsons bill for Doors window frames & Sashes a Journey to Boston. & Some materials found & work done in the meeting-house	148	38	0
m^{r}. Salisbury bill for brads	[2	17	0]
m^{r}. Bradleys bill for 885 feet of plank at 3$ p^{r}. Thousand .	29	13	0
m^{r}. Curtis & Sons bill for ¾ m Clapords $20 p^{r}. m . .	15	0	0
m^{r} Ellises bill for 1¼ m of Clapboards a $14 p^{r}. m . .	17	50	0
m^{r} Elisses bill for 6 m mer boards	75	0	0
	$1684	65	0

[419.] Amount bro^{t}. from the Opposite Page . .	$1684	65	0
Mr Smiths bill for 375 feet clear boards & 280 feet of pine joist	21	70	0
Mr Goulds bill for 51 feet of gutter Stuff a 5½ p^{r}. foot .	3	89	0
m^{r} Daniel Boyles,s bill for Carting Boards & lime . .	16	08	0
Capt. Jones,s bill for Carting Lumber &c	30	66	0
Mr Jonas Sandersons bill for carting three loads from Boston a 24/	12	0	0
Mr Edward Johnsons bill for Paints	10	58	0

Mr Isaac Hobbs jur. bill for hair	1	33	0
Mr Robert Cottings bill for Painting and for Oil found .	55	67	0
Messrs. How & Butterfields bill for 2 m of Boards . .	13	33	0
Mr Eliakim Morses bill sheet lead &c	168	11	0
Mr Josiah Howards bill for Carting	59	83	0
Capt Joseph Smith Bill for Stone & Laboure . . .	133	10	0
Mr Wm. Lawrence bill for Stage Poles geting sand & 2 Days work	4	83	0
Mr Joseph Cox bill for painting the outside &c . . .	45	0	0
Mr Abel Harringtons bill for painting 21½ days . . .	27	80	0
Mr Abrm. Hews,s bill for 4 Stage Poles	1	33	0
Mr Thads. Pierces bill for Plank	2	29	0
Mr Pratts bill for panting & guilding the Vane . . .	3	0	0
Mr Epraim Livermores bill for mason work . . .	42	23	0
Messrs Vose & make peace,s bill for the electrick rod .	10	50	0
Mr Caleb Haywards bill for oil Shingles, nails Clapboards .	97	79	0
Mr Joel Smith,s bill for 31 weeks board provided for Capenters & Painters at pr week	74	50	0
Mr. Joel Smiths bill for Sundry Services done by himself & procured to be done by others	51	23	0
Mr Lemons bill for Spindle, Vane, & scroll &c . . .	75	83	0
Mr Isaac Lamsons bill for boards shingles nails lime and liquors found for the workmen and Sundry small bills Paid for labour carting &	186	53	0
Artemas Wards bill for three Gallons of Oil . . .	3	50	0
Messrs. Pipers & wares bill for riging to raise the Tower .	16	0	0
Mr Jona. Balch,s bill for 1 m of merchantable Plank .	13	0	0
Mr Charles Guilds bill for 1 m boards	12	50	0
Mr Nathll. Wales, bill for 538 feet of Plank . . .	13	98	0
	$2892	77	0

[420.] The Acct. brot. over	$2892	77	
Messrs. Devins & Holmes,s bill for 1500 feet of boards .	19	60	
Messrs. Piper & Wares bill for use of the riging to raise the Spire	8	50	0
Mr. Ebenr Hobbs,s bill lampblack latches &c . . .	6	5	0
Mr John Dudley,s bill for picking up Stuff	1	0	0
Messrs. A & I Danas Bill for 904 feet clear Boards . .	19	89	0
Messrs. How & Butterfields bill for 1589 feet of Boards .	21	66	0
Messrs. A & I Dana,s bill for joist	6	12	—
Messrs. How & butterfield bill for 806 feet of plank and 2056 feet of boards	53	59	—
Messrs. How & Butterfield bill for 1557 feet of Boards .	28	23	—
Messrs Green & Coverleys Bill for tacks	2	50	—
amounting in the whole to the sum of . . .	$3059	91	0

your Committee further report

that the Proceeds of the sale of the Pewes amounted to the Sum of	$1066	00	0
that the proceeds of the sale of the refuse Stuff amounted to the sum of	35	50	
the the debt recovered in the name of Ruth Child against Joshua Jones with the Interest amounts to the sum of	327	5	
that the expence of Painting the Pews which will be reimbuned by the holders amounts to	35	60	
that the Difference between the Spire & a Cupola is estimated at	165	0	
amounting in the whole to the sum of . . .	$1629	15	0
which sum being deducted from the sum aforesaid leaves a ballence against the Town of the sum of . . .	1430	76	
	$3059	91	

[421.] Your Committee further report that a considerable part of the bills afore Said have been paid in full or in part by one or another of the members of your Committee and that Sums now due from the Town, on Account of the repairs & alterations aforeSaid are due to the Persons after named. viz —

To mr Samll Torrey of Boston the sum of	$90	65
To Major David Goodwin of Charlestown the Ballence due to him for work done on the Tower & Spire and preparing the ground for building the Pewes . .	128	67
To Messrs. Isaac Gould John Dudley & Joseph Russell jur. for work done by the Jobb on the Tower & 2 Porches	350	0
To Messrs. Isaac Gould, John Dudley, and Joseph Russell Junr. for extra work. & work done by them by the day $91.54, first deducting therefrom fifteen Dollars paid to said Gould by Artemas Ward, and fourteen Dollars and thirty three Cents paid to the Said Gould by Caleb Hayward, and included in the Ballence said to be due to the said Ward & Hayward	62	21
To Messrs. David Goodwin, Isaac Gould, John Dudley & Joseph Russell jur for building the Pewes . . .	105	0
To Messrs David Goodwin Isaac Gould. John Dudley & Joseph Russell jur for Extra work in building Pewes	12	0
To John Rand	19	50
To Aaron Whittemore	5	25
To Nathll. Bemis	6	25
To Lot Bemis	3	12
To Thos. Rand	24	56

To Abr^{m}. Hewes ju^{r}.	24	9
To John Stimson	148	38
To Capt Isaac Jones	31	16
To Daniel Boiles	16	58
To Isaac Hobbs ju^{r}.	1	33
To Messrs. How & Butterfield of Boston	34	99
To Robert Cotting of east Sudbury	55	67

[422.] Amount bro^{t} over	$1119	41
To Dr. Eliakim Morse of Boston	168	11
To Josiah Hayward	59	83
To Capt Joseph Smith ju^{r} of Lexington	92	89
To W^{m}. Lawrenc Ju^{r}.	5	33
To Abel Harrington	27	80
To Abr^{m}. Hewes	1	33
To Thaddeus Pierce	2	79
To Simeon Pratt of East Sudbury	3	00
To Ephr^{m}. Livermore	40	73
To Caleb Hayward	519	49
To Joel Smith	125	73
To E. Lemon of Boston	75	83
To Isaac Lamson	346	24
To Artemas Ward	363	57
To Messrs. Piper & Ware of Boston	16	00
To Eben^{r}. Hobbs	76	32
To John Dudley	1	00
To Edward Johnson of Boston	10	00
To several Persons in raising the Tower	3	93
	$3059	91

all which is humbly Submitted by

ARTEMAS WARD
JOHN STIMSON
CALEB HAYWARD
JOEL SMITH
EBEN^{R} HOBBS
ISAAC LAMSON

Comittee for Altering and Repairing the Meeting house

[423.] Voted to pass & allow the account of the Committee appointed to make repairs & Alterations in the Publick meeting-House as now exhibited and the Treasurer is Directed to collect the monies mentioned as credit in the above Account and pay the Sums that are now due to the persons to whom

they are Said to be due Saving this that if m^{r}. Lemon Shall recover against m^{r}. Caleb Hayward in the suit which he has Commenced against him, the Treasurer is prohibeted from paying him the sum said to be his due —

Your Committee raised for the Purpose of examining the accounts of the Committee Chosen to make Alterations and repairs in the Publick meeting-house, have Carefully & impartially attended to that Business having seen the Bills and Accounts find the forgoing account founded thereon, well Vouched and rightly cast; in addition to which we find there is due to m^{r}. Caleb Hayward for interest for monies by him advanced the sum of $\overset{D}{7}$—$\overset{c}{25}$ and to Artemas Ward for Ditto $6—73

WESTON Octr. 20th. 1800 — JOSEPH RUSSELL, MOSES FULLAR, JOHN SLACK } Committee

The Meeting was then Disolved

[424.] **1801**

At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Weston on the Ninth day of march 1801 by a Warrent from the Selectmen the Contents of which are as followeth viz

To NATHAN FISKE *Constable of the Town of Weston* — GREETING

You are hereby required in the name of the Common-wealth of Massechusetts to notify & Warn the freeholders & other inhabitants of S^{d}. Town Qualified by law to vote in Town meetings, that is such as pay to one Single tax beside the pole or poles a Sum equal to two thrds of a Single pole tax, to Assemble at the publick meeting-house in Said Town on monday the ninth day of march next at one of the clock in the After-noon to act on the following Articles viz —

1st. To choose a moderator of Said meeting —

2^{d}. To Choose Select-men & all other usual Town officers

3^{d} To hear & examin the Accounts of the Treasurer of ye Town

4th. To Consider of the expedience of granting money to repair the highways the present year —

5th To grant or appropriate money already granted (if they See cause) for the purpose of providing a School in the several districts the ensewing year —

6ly To determine whether swine shall go at large the ensewing year —

7 to hear the Accounts of any Creditor or Creditors of the Town who may prefer them for Allowance —

8th To hear the request of any Person or Persons who may wish for an abatement of thier taxes —

9th. To appoint an agent or Agents (if they see Cause) to make Sale of the land lying in the Southerly part of the town which was purchased of the late Abrm. Jones

[425.] 10 To appropriate such a sum of the money now Assessed a may be found nessessary to make up the deficiency of the Sum raised by Subscription to purchase a bell for the Publick meeting-house

11th. To appropriate such further sum of money (if they see Cause) as shall be found sufficint to enable each Surveyor of highways to Purchase a Plough for thier respective Districts

12 To hear a list prepared for the Juror box & act thereon

13th. To Choose a County registor Agreeably to an act of the General Court —

Given under our hand & seals this second day of Febry: in the year of our Lord Eighteen Hundred & one —

Ebenr Hobbs
Isaac Lamson
John Slack.
} Selectmen of Weston

Middlesex ss: Weston march 2d. 1801

I have executed the above Warrent according to the tenor thereof

Nathan Fiske Constable for Weston

being assembled agreeably to the above Warrent —

1t. Ebenezer Hobbs *chosen moderator of Said meeting*

Selectmen	EBEN^R HOBBS ISAAC LAMSON JOHN SLACK NATHAN FISKE ENOCH TRAIN
[426.] Town Clerk	ISAAC HOBBS — sworn
Town Treasurer	ISAAC LAMSON — sworn
Constable	NATHAN FISKE — sworn
Constable & Colector	ISAAC TRAIN — to have $4\frac{1}{4}^{d}$ p^r. £ for Collecting Sworn
Assessors	NATHAN FISKE ABR^M. HEWES ENOCH TRAIN } sworn
Surveyors of Highways	JEDIDIAH WARREN JON^A. CHILD PAUL PRATT SILAS GREGORY NATHAN HOBBS JU^R. } all Sworn
Tythingmen	ISAAC GOULD ABIJAH SANDERSON
Hogreaves	JAMES WARREN & DANIEL BEMIS
Field drivers	JOSEPH LIVERMORE & EPHR^M. LIVERMORE
Fence Viewers	ABRM HEWES & ISAAC STRATTON
Surveyors of Lumber	ISAAC GOULD & ABR^M. HEWES JU^R.
Sur^er of Hemp	JONATHAN WARREN

3^d. Voted to grant the sum of one Thousand Dollars to be Worked out upon the Highways at nine pence p^r. Hour for man or Team —

4 voted to appropriate twenty-five Dollars to each School District —

5 voted to accept of a list prepared for the Juror box —

6th. voted that this meeting be Adjourned to the first monday in April at 4 o,clock in the afternoon —

meet according to adjournment

1st. Voted to accept the Treasurer,s Acct. as exhibeted

[427.] 2d. Voted to allow the following Accounts — viz —

To Capt. Nathan Fisk — Constable for warning Six Town meetings	$8	00	0
To Capt. Matthew Hobbs for his Service as an Assessor .	10	00	0
To Mr. Nathll. Allin for Ditto	10	00	0
To Mr Enoch Train for Ditto & paper	10	83	0
To Deacon Samll. Fisk for Extra Service in taking care of the meeting-house	3	00	0
Total	$41	83	0

3 Voted to accept of list as Prepared for the Juror box — the Sixth, ninth, tenth & eleventh articles after Some Debate thereon wer passed over —

4th Voted that this meeting be Disolved —

and it was accordingly Declared to be Disolved —

At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Weston on monday the Sixth day of April 1801 for the Choice of Governour, Lieut. Governour, Councilors & Senators of this Common-wealth Agreeably to the Constitution thereof, the votes were given in as followeth viz

for Govenour	Caleb Strong Esqr.	had 109 Votes
	Elbridge Gerry	32
	Wm. Heath	1
Lt. Governour	Samuel Phillips	110
	Edwd H. Robbins	1
	Wm. Heath	29
	Elbridge Gerry	1
	Caleb Strong	1
Senators & Councilors	Ebenr. Bridge	
	Timothy Biglow	
	Josiah Bartlett	
	Daniel Whitney	
	Wm. Hildreth	
	Aaron Hill	

[428.] At a Legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Weston that are Quallified to vote in the Choice of a Representative at the Publick meeting-House in S^d^. Town on monday the 11th. day of may 1801 they did then & there elect & depute Mr John Slack to represent them in the General Court next ensewing —

To NATHAN FISKE *Constable of the Town of Weston* — GREETING

In the name of the Common wealth of Massechusetts, you are hereby required to notify & warn the freeholders & other inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallifield by law to vote in Town affairs viz such as pay to a single Tax beside the pole or poles a sum equal to two thirds of a Single pole tax — to Assemble at the Publick meeting-house in said Town on Monday the 11th day of may next at four of the Clock in the afternoon to act on the following Articles viz —

1 To choose a moderator of Said meeting

2^d^ To Choose Agents to act with Agents of the Town of Watertown relative to the great Bridge in Said Watertown over Charles River and to impower & instruct said Agents to make a final Settlement with Said Town of Watertown respecting Said Bridge & fishery —

given under our hands & seal this 20th. day of April A : D : 1801 —

EBEN^R^ HOBBS
ISAAC LAMSON
JOHN SLACK
ENOCH TRAIN
} Selectmen

MIDDLESIX SS : WESTON may 1st 1801

I have executed the above Warrent according to the Tenor thereof

NATHAN FISKE Constable

[429.] The doings of the inhabitants Assembled in Consequence of the Preceeding Warrent were as followeth viz —

1st. Voted that EENEZER HOBBS *be moderator of Said meeting*

3^d^ Voted that Eben^r^ : Hobbs, Isaac Lamson, & John Slack

be, and they hereby are appointed Agents Vested with Power & instructed, to endevour to make a final Settlement with the Agents of the Town of Watertown respecting said Bridge — and Fishery —

The meeting was then Disolved

The following are the doings of the Agents appointed as above relative to a settlement with the Agents of Watertown concerning said Bridge & fishery viz —

This Indenture Tripartite made this first day of June in the year of our Lord one Thousand eight Hundred and one, between the Inhabitants of the Town of Watertown of the first part the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston of the Second part, and the Inhabitants of the Town of Waltham of the third part, Witnesseth, that whereas the Inhabitants of the Towns aforesaid stand chargeable for the support & maintainance of the Great Bridge in Watertown over Charles River, in proportion as they severally Stand in the State Valuation; and whereas the General Court of the Common-wealth of Massechusetts by an Act and Law which passed the Second day of March in the year of our Lord one Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninty-eight granted the Towns aforesaid the right to sell & regulate the times & places & manner of taking the fish called shad & Alewives, within the limits of said Towns, the Poroceds to be divided between said Towns in Proportion as they [450.] — [*a mistake for* 430.] pay towards said Bridge; and wheras the Town of Watertown: for and in consideration, that the Inhabitants of the Towns of Weston and Waltham have agreed to grant sell & convey to the Inhabitants of the Town of Watertown the Sole Right to sell & regulate the times places & manner of taking said fish within the limits of the Town of Watertown and the Poroceeds to convert to thier own use, have agreed that the Inhabitants of the Towns of Weston, & Waltham, shall severally, be discharged from Contributing any further to the Support maintainance building or widening the same Bridge forever — Now therefore Know-ye that the said Inhabitants of the Town of Watertown in Consideration of said agreement & of the Releases & Covenants herein After

mentioned made and to be kept and performed by the said Inhabitants of Weston & Waltham, do hereby release and discharge the said Inhabitants of the said Towns of Weston & Waltham Jointly & severally from all Dmands actions & Causes of Actions which they the Said Inhabitants of Watertown have either jointly or severally against them the said Inhabitants of Weston & Waltham ; and the Said Inhabitants of Watertown for the Consideration afore said do hereby release and discharge the said Inhabitants of Weston & Waltham Jointly & Severally from Contributing any further forever hereafter towards the maintainance of the Bridge in Watertown over Charles River ; and the said Inhabitants of Watertown do further release and quit claim unto them the said Inhabitants of Weston & Waltham Jointly & Severally al the right title & Interest which they have in the Shad and Alewive fishery within the limits of the Said Towns of Weston & Waltham in Virtue of an Act Passed on the second day of March in the year of our Lord one Thousand, Seven Hundred & Ninty-eight Entitled An [451.] act autherising the Inhabitants of the Town of Watertown Weston & Waltham in the County of Middlesix to regulate the taking of fish within the limits of said Towns.

And the said Inhabitants of Weston in Consideration of the release and discharge afore said, of the Inhabitants of Watertown do hereby release & discharge the Said Inhabitants of the Town of Watertown, from all Demands Actions and Causes of Action which they the said Inhabitants of Weston have against them the said Inhabitants of the Town of Watertown either Severally or Jointly with the Inhabitants of the Town Waltham ; and the said Inhabitants of the Town of Weston for the Consideration afore said do hereby release & quit claim unto them the said Inhabitants of Watertown all the right title & Interest which they have either severally or jointly with the Inhabitants of Waltham aforesaid, in and to the shad & Alewive fishery within the limits of the said Town of Watertown, in Virtue of the Act afore said ; and the said Inhabitants of Weston for the Consideration aforesaid, do Covenant with the said Inhabitants of Watertown, that they may receive & Convert to thier own use thier,s the said Inhabitants of Weston,s Proportion of

the Proceeds of the Sale of said fishery, in the year Seventeen Hundred & ninty-nine; and the said Inhabitants of the Town of Weston do further Covenant with the said Inhabitants of Watertown that they will forthwith pay them the sum of Seven Dollars & fifty Cents; And the said Inhabitants of Weston further Covenant with the said Inhabitants of Watertown that they will Annually hereafter appoint an Agent to Join with Such Agents as may be appointed by the said Inhabitants of Watertown to regulate and sell the fishery aforesaid within the limits of said Town of Watertown: Provided the Appointment of such agent shall be adjudged Nessessary & they the Inhabitants of Weston shall be duly Notified thereof — And the said Inhabitants of Waltham in Consideration of the release [452.] and discharge aforesaid of the said Inhabitants of Watertown do hereby release & Discharge the said Inhabitants of the Town of Watertown, from all Demands Actions & Causes of Action which they the Said Inhabitants of Waltham have against them the said Inhabitants of Watertown either Severally of Jointly with the said Inhabitants of Weston — And the Said Inhabitants of Waltham for the Consideration aforesaid do hereby release and quit claim unto them the Said Inhabitants of Watertown all the right title & Interest either Severally or jointly with the Town of Weston aforesaid in and to the Shad and Alewives fishery within the limits of the Town of Watertown in Virtue of the Act aforesaid; and the Said Inhabitants of Waltham for the Consideration aforesaid do Covenant with the said Inhabitants of Watertown that they may receive & Convert to thier own use thier the Said Inhabitants of Waltham,s Proportion of the Proceeds of the sale of the said fishery in the year Seventeen Hundred & Ninty-nine: and the Said Inhabitants of Waltham, do further Covenant with the Said Inhabitants of Watertown that they will forthwith pay them the Sum of Seven Dollars & fifty cents — And the Said Inhabitants of Waltham do further Covenant with the Said Inhabitants of Watertown that they will Annually hereafter Appoint an Agent to join with Such Agents as may be Appointed by the Said Inhabitants of Watertown to regulate & sell the fishery aforesaid, Within the limits of Said Town of Watertown Provided the Appointment

of such Agent shall be Adjudged Nessessary to secure to the Said Town of Watertown the benefit of said fishery, and they the said Inhabitants of Waltham shall be Duly Notified thereof

In witness of all which the Inhabitants of the said Towns of Watertown, Weston & Waltham by the under writen Subscribers thier Agents, have hereunto [453.] Interchangably set thier hands and Seals the day and year first before writen —

Signed sealed & delivered
in presence of us

ABIJAH WHITE	WILLIAM HUNT & Seal	Agents of Watertown
THO^S^. H. BRAG	AMOS BOND & seal	
	THOMAS CLARK & seal	
	NATH^LL^. R. WHITNEY & seal	
	FRANCIS FAULKNER & Seal	
	EBEN^R^. HOBBS & Seal	Agents of Weston
	ISAAC LAMSON & Seal	
	JOHN SLACK & Seal	
	W^M^. FISK & Seal	Agents of Waltham
	ABNER SANDERSON & Seal	
	W^M^. WILLINGTON & Seal	
	JON^A^. COOLEDGE & Seal	

The above was taken from the Original Indenture a true Coppy — *Attest* — ISAAC HOBBS *Town Clerk*

At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on the first day of Octr. 1801 for the following purposes viz —

1st. to Choose a moderator of said meeting —

2^d^. grant money to pay the Sallery of the Rev^d^ m^r^ Kendall, for the year of his Settlement ending Novr. AD 1802 —

3^d^. to make the Nessessary provision for furnishing him with the quantity of wood, with which the Town are holden to furnish for the year aforesaid —

4th. To raise a Committee in the School Districts, whose

duty it shall be to provide Masters for the several Districts, or adopt any other measure Touching the premises which they the Said Inhabitants shall think proper —

5 To hear the Town Treasurers Accounts and act thereon

[454.] 6th To hear applications for the Abatement of taxes and act thereon

7th To receive the Acct^s. of the Creditors of the Town and act thereon

8th To grant money for the Support of the Poor, for the Support of Schools and for defraying all Other Nessessary Town Charges & act thereon

9th To know the minds of the Town whether they will instruct the Selectmen to make Sail of the Pew in the Publick meeting-house lately Occupied by the widow Thankfull Walker Deceased, and act thereon

10th. To hear the request of Arthur Train ; relative to laying out a road from his dwelling-house to the County road leading from Newton to Framingham ; and Discontinue the Old road and Act thereon

11th. Whereas horned Cattle are turned in Annually, to graze the old burying ground, which has been in Possession of the inhabitants of the Town for a Century past, to the great detorment to the monuments erected Sacred to the memory of the Dead, and to the injury of the feelings of many good & Serious people of the Town & whereas Complaints have been frequently Presented to the Select-men in concequance of which they incert the following Article viz —

To know the minds of the Town whether they will take any measures to prevent injury being done to the aforesaid ground in futer or act any other matter or thing as touching the aforesaid premises —

1st. Ebenezer Hobbs Esqr. *Chosen Moderator* —

2d voted to grant the sum of Three Hundred Dollars to pay the Rev^d. m^r. Sam^ll. Kendal his Sallery for one year ending Novr 5th. 1802

3d. Voted that m^r Nathan Hagar, Mr Uriah Gregory & Capt. Nathan Fisk be a Committee to provide twenty Cords of wood for the Reve^d m^r Kendal for the year ensewing —

4th. School Committee as followeth viz
Deacon Fisk, Isaac Fisk & Isaac Lamson
Doctr. Bancroft Messrs. Abrm. Hews jur. & John Clark
Messrs. Jona. Child, Enoch Train, & Abijah Fiske
Messrs. John Slack, Moses Fuller & Josiah Seaverns
Messrs. Nathan Hagar Elisha Stratton & Nathll. Allen

5 Voted to accept the Town Treasurers Accts. as exhibeted

[455.] 6th Voted to grant the sum of Six Hundred Dollars for Schooling

7th voted to grant One Thousand Dollars for the Support of the poor & other Usal & incidental charges —

8th Voted that the Select-men be a Committee to inspect the Alteration of the road Contemplated near the Dwelling-house of mr Arthur Train empowered with instructions to make such Alterations in the Premises as they shall judge to be expedient; Provided that no expence may be brought upon the Town in Conquence of such Alteration —

9th Voted that Deacon Hobbs, Deacon Fisk & Capt Isaac Jones be a Committee to make some enquirey relative to the title the Town hath to the old burying ground and to report to the Town —

The report follows

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston — GENTLEMEN

Your Committee for the Purpose above discribed; beg leave to report, that they have made diligent Search in the Town records and have found nothing recorded relative to the Premises — we have also conversed with mr. Jonas Harrington (the Present Claimant of the Soil) upon the Subject & he is not knowing that the Town hath any title to the Premses: but only leave to bury thier dead — and that any other improvement of ye Premises hath always been reserved

March 1st. 1802 — SAMLL FISK, ISAAC HOBBS } Committee

[NOTE. — *The Clerk ought not to have recorded the above report in this place. See Art.* 8 *of the next Warrant.* — *M. F. P.*]

1802.

To ISAAC TRAIN *Constable of the Town of Weston* — GREETING

You are hereby required in the Name of the Common-wealth of Massechusetts To Summon & notify the freeholders & other inhabitants of Said Town qualified by Law to Vote in Town-meetings — Viz: such as pay to one Single tax beside the Poll or Polls a sum equal to two thirds of a single poll tax to Assemble at the Publick meeting-house in said Town on monday the first day of March next at one of the clock in the after-noon to act on the following Articles viz —

1st. To choose a moderator of Said meeting

2d To Choose Selectmen and all other usal Town officers

3d To hear & examine the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Town and act thereon —

4 To Consider the expediency of granting money to repair the high-ways the Present year —

[456.] 5th. To grant or Appropriate money already granted if they see cause for the Purpose of Providing a School in the several districts the ensewing Summer —

6th To hear the Accounts of any Creditor or Creditors of the Town who may perfer them for Allowance —

7th To hear the request of any person or persons who may wish for the abatement of thier Taxes

8th. To hear the report of a Committee chosen at a legal meeting in octr last past to consult with mr Jonas Harrington concerning the old burying ground and to enquire into the state thereof or act any other matter or thing relative thereto —

9th To know the minds of the Town whether they will discontinue the road from the old County road begining South of the South-easterly School-house in said Town untill it meets Needham line — also to Discontinue the road from the new County road begining South-east of Samll. Torry,s untill it meets the before mentioned road or act any thing relative thereto

Given under our hands & Seals this first day of Febry. A D. 1802

EBENR. HOBBS
ISAAC LAMSON
JOHN SLACK
NATHAN FISK
ENOCH TRAIN
} Select-men of Weston

Pursuant to the within warrant I have Notified the Inhabitants of said Town qualified as therein expressed to meet at the time & place and for the purposes within mentioned —

WESTON Feb^{ry}. 17th AD 1802 ISAAC TRAIN Constable.

The Inhabitants of the Town of Weston being Assembled in consequence of the above Warrent & notification proceeded as followeth viz

1st. EBENEZER HOBBS ESQ^{R}. *was chosen Moderator of said meeting*

2^{d}. Select-men { EBEN^{R}. HOBBS, ISAAC LAMSON, JOHN SLACK, NATHAN FISK, ENOCH TRAIN } ISAAC TRAIN Constable & Collector to receive 5 pence pr £ for Collecting; NATHAN FISKE Constable

Town Clerk	ISAAC HOBBS	Assessors { NATHAN FISKE, ENOCH TRAIN, ABR^{M}. HEWES JU^{R} }
Town Treasurer	ISAAC LAMSON	
[457.] Surveyors of Highways	EBEN^{R}. FISK, EDW^{D}. CHILD, THAD^{S}. PIERCE ARTHUR TRAIN & ABIATHER JOHNSON	
Tything-men	ABRAHAM SANDERSON & ISAAC GOULD	
Hogreaves	EPHRAIM FLAGG & DANIEL BEMIS	
Field Drivers	JOSEPH LIVERMORE & ISAAC GOULD	
Fence Viewers	EPH^{M}. LIVERMORE & DANIEL BOYLES	
Surveyors of Lumber	ISAAC GOULD, EZRA FISK JU^{R}	
Sealers of Leath.	ABR^{M}. HARRINGTON & JOHN COTTING	
Surveyor of Hemp	EPH^{M}. LIVERMORE	
Pound Keeper	JOEL SMITH	

3^{d}: Voted to accept the Town Treasurers acc^{ts}. as exhibeted

4 Voted to grant one Thousand Dollars to repair the Highways to be worked out at nine pence p^{r}. Hour for man or Team

5 Voted appropriate twenty-five Dollars to each School District

6 Voted to allow the following accounts viz

To Capt. Nathan Fisk for warning four Town meetings a 8/ each in the year 1801	$5	33	0
To one Day making high way Tax	1	00	0
To Nine days taking invoice & making Taxes	9	00	0
To Ten days taking & making out a general Invoice	10	00	0
To Cash paid for paper	1	62	0
Total	$26	95	0
To mr Abrm. Hewes jur for his Services as an Assessor	$19	00	
To mr. Enoch Train for his Services as an Assessor	20	00	0

7 Voted that Nathan Fisk Collector may draw out of the Treasurey on account of Abigail Bond,s Taxes of Nine Dollars and 72 Cents but shll held to replace the Same Sum whenever it may be Collected —

8 voted that Enoch Train may draw out of the Treasurey thirteen Dollars & 34 cents on acct. of the widow Bonds Taxes yet held to replace the same Sum in the Treasurey whenever it may be Collected —

[NOTE. — *The article marked* 8 *above is a part of* 7. *Here belongs the true article* 8 *of the warrant, the report concerning the title to the Old Burying Ground, which the clerk recorded out of place. It has been printed on page* 511. — *M. F. P.*]

9th on the ninth Article in the warrent Voted that the Roads therein Described be Discontinued —

The Meeting then Disolved

[458.] At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Weston on the fifth day of April 1802 for the Choice of Governour Lt. Govenor Senators & Councilors of this Commom-wealth Agreably to the to the Constitution thereof; the votes were as followeth, viz —

[NOTE. — *The clerk left space for the votes, but did not record them. They are not on file.* — *M. F. P.*]

At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston quallified According to the Constitution of this Common-wealth being Assembled at the Publick Meeting-House in said Town on Monday the tenth day of may 1782 [1802] did then & there Elect & depute M^r^. John Slack to Represent them in General Court the ensewing year

At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston on the first day of Novr. 1782 [1802] quallified according to the Constitution of this Common-wealth for the purpose of giving in thier Votes for a Representive to Represent them in the Congress of United States Appointed to be Convened at the City of Washington on the fourth day of March next

The Votes were as followeth

for the REV^D^ M^R^ SAM^LL^. KENDAL thirty two
for the HON^BLE^. TIMOTHY BIGLOW twenty-seven
for the HON^BLE^. JOSEPH B. VARNUM twenty-one

[NOTE. — Various blunders were made by the town clerk in making the records for 1801, 1802, and 1803. A paper on file, "Minutes of Town Meeting March 9th. 1801," is marked on the back, "Minutes of March Meeting 1781."

The dates of the two meetings given above are instances of errors, as can be easily shown. There is on file a warrant for a meeting for choice of Representative for Monday the 10th of May, 1802. The State Representative for 1782 was Dea. Samuel Fisk, and the 10th of May of that year was not Monday, but Friday. There is also on file a warrant for a meeting Nov. 1, 1802, for choice of Representative in Congress. The first time that Congress met in the city of Washington was December, 1800. — M. F. P.]

At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Weston Octr. 4th. 1802 being Assembled at the Publick Meeting-House for the following Purposes viz —

1^t^. To choose a moderator of Said meeting

2^d^ To grant money to pay the Rev^d^ m^r^ Sam^ll^. Kendal for the year of his Settlement ending in Novr. 1803 —

[459.] 3^d^ To make provision for furnishing him with the

quantity of wood which the Town ar holden to furnish him for the year afore-said —

4th. To raise Committees in the several School Districts and to provide instruction for the same —

5 To hear the Town Treasurers Accounts and act thereon

6th To hear Applications for the abatement of Taxes and act theron

7th To recive the acctS. of creditors of the Town & act thereon —

8th. To grant money for the Support of the Poor for the Support of Schooles and for defraying all other Nessessary Town Charges —

9th. To know the minds of the Town wheather they will Provide an Armory for the Deposit of Arms Amunition and other military stores belonging to the Town or act any thing touching the premises —

10th. To know the minds of the Town relative to the erection of a New Pound or reparation of the old one or act any thing relative to the same

11th. To know the minds of the whether they will Suspend Scales for the purpose of weighing hay or act any thing relative to the same —

[NOTE. — In copying from the warrant the town clerk omitted two articles which were written on the back. They are as follows: —

"12th. To know the minds of the town, wheather they will prohibit the going at large neat cattle horses and horse kind, or either of them —

"13th. To know the minds of the town, wheather they will grant a sum of money that may be thought necessary for the purpus of encourageing those that are disposed to assist the singing in the publick meeting house or act any thing to the purpus." — M. F. P.]

The inhabitants being Assembled proceeded as followeth viz

1st. EBENR. HOBBS ESQR. *was chosen moderator of Said meeting* —

2d voted to grant the sum of three Hundred Dollars to pay the Revd mr Kendal his Sallery for one year next Succeeding the 5th. day of Novr. 1802 —

3d Voted that Deacon Fisk & messrs Isaac Lamson & Uriah

Gregory be a Committee to provide twenty Cords of Wood for the Rev^{d} m^{r} Kendall for the year ensewing

4th School Committee as followeth viz

Isaac Lamson, Deacon Fiske & Isaac Fiske

John Slack, Josiah Hastings Benj^{a}. Rand

Capt. Carver, Enoch Train, Abijah Fisk

Nath^{ll}. Allen, Alpheus Biglow Elisha Stratton

Ebenezer Hobbs, Nathan Fiske, Nathan Warren

Doct^{r} Bancroft, Amos Harrington ; Joseph Smith

5th. Voted to allow the Town Treasurers Accounts as exhibeted

6 Voted to grant one Hundred Dollars to each School district Total $600

7th. Voted to grant the sum of eight Hundred dollars for the Support of the Poor & other usal & incidental charges —

8th. Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee relative to Building an Armory to consider of the Premises & report thier Opinion

[NOTE. — In copying from his minutes the town clerk omitted, —
" 9th Voted that M^{r}. Joseph Russell Deacon Isaac Hobbs & Deacon Sam^{ll}. Fisk be a Comittee relative to the Pound &c " — M. F. P.]

[460.] 10th Voted that will prohibit Neats Cattle, Horses & Horse kind from going at large

11th. Voted that Sixty Dollars are here by granted for the encouragement of Singing & that Messrs. Nathan Upham, Josiah Hastings Joseph Russell Alpheus Biglow & Nathan Warren to Conduct the expenditure thereof

The meeting then adjourned to the first day of Novr next at three o,clock in the after-noon —

Met according to Adjournment

1st. Voted that will build an Armory for the Deposit of Arms Amunition &c and that the selectmen be a Committee to conduct and compleat the building thereof —

2 voted to repair the old Pound & that the owner of the Stables have leave to move thier Stables back as far as the wall of the Pound near the South western Corner thereof thence to

an ash tree in the Pound; thence on a right line untill it meets the easterly wall thereof all which is to be under the Direction of the Selectmen — the meeting then Disolved —

Know all Men by these presents

That the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston in the County of Middlesix in Consideration of one Hundred & one Dollars to them paid by Oliver Conant, of the same Weston, yeoman, the receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledge, have remised released and forever quit-claimed, and do for themselves and thier Successors by these presents remise, release, and forever quit claim unto the said Oliver Conant, his hiers & assigns, all thier estate, right, title & interest in & to a certain Pew, in the Publick meeting-house in Said Weston, Situate on the west side of the broad Ile, the same being the corner Pew & marked number twenty-seven —

To have and to hold the afore Mentioned Premises with all the Privilege Appurtinances thereunto belonging to him the Said Oliver Conant, his hiers & assigns forever; so that they the Said Inhabitants, nor any other Person or Persons claiming from or under them or in the name, right, or Stead of them, shall or will by any way or means have, claim or demand any right or title to the afore-said premises or thier appurtinances or to any part or parcel thierof forever. — in witness whereof the said Inhabitants by the Selectmen thier Agents have hereunto Set thier hands & Seals this twenty-fifth day of January in the Year of our Lord Eighteen Hundred and two —

Signed, sealed & delivered in presence of us	EBEN^R. HOBBS and Seal
	ISAAC LAMSON & Seal
DAVID BRACKETT	NATHAN FISK & Seal
JOSIAH SMITH	ENOCH TRAIN & Seal

[461.] **1803**

To ISAAC TRAIN *one of the Constables of the Town of Weston* GREETING —

You are hereby required in name of the Common-wealth of Massechusetts to Summon & notify the freeholders & other

inhabitants of Said Town qualified by law to vote in Town meetings viz such as pay to one Single Tax beside the Poll or Polls a sum equal to two thirds of a Single Poll Tax, to Assemble at the Publick meeting-House on monday the seventh day of March Next at one o'Clock in the after-noon to act on the following articles — viz —

1st. To choose a moderator of Said meeting —

2d. To choose Selectmen, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Constables & all other Town Officers usaly chosen in the month of march

3 To hear & examin the Town Treasurers Accounts and act thereon —

4th To grant such a Sum of money as they Shall Deem Nessessary to repair the high ways or act any thing relative thereto

5th. To see if the Town will grant money or appropriate money that is all ready granted for the Purpose of providing women Schools in the Several districts the ensewing Summer

6 To hear the accounts of any Creditor or Creditors of the Town who may perfer them for Allowance & act thereon —

7th. To hear the request of any person or persons who may wish for an abatement of thier Taxes and act thereon —

8 To hear the report of a Committee raised some time since for the purpose of obtaining Proposals of mr. Joel Smith relative to the exchange of Lands near the Publick meeting-house and act thereon —

[462.] 9th. To see if the Town will in futer hold thier meetings for the Purpose of granting money to defray the Sallery of the Revd. Samuel Kendall, and all thier usal & incidental Annual Town Charges at any Other Season of the year, than has heretofore been Practised by the inhabitants of said Town; or act any matter or thing relative thereto —

10th. To hear lists prepared for the Jury boxes & act thereon

Given under our hand seal this seventh day of Febuary A D 1803

Ebenezer Hobbs Isaac Lamson John Slack Nathan Fiske Enoch Train	Selectmen of Weston

WESTON march 3d. 1803 Pursuant to the within warrent I have Notified & warned the inhabitants of said town quallified as therein expressed, to meet at the time, place, & for the Purposes therein mentioned — ISAAC TRAIN Constable for Weston

The inhabitants being Assembled in Consequence of the foregoing Warrent & notification Proceeded as followeth viz —

1st. EBENR. HOBBS *Chosen Moderator of the meeting.*

Selectmen	EBENR HOBBS JOHN SLACK NATHAN FISKE ENOCH TRAIN AMOS HARRINGTON
Town Clerk	ISAAC HOBBS
Town Treasurer	ISAAC LAMSON
Assessors	NATHAN FISKE ENOCH TRAIN NATHAN HOBBS
[463.] Constables	NATHAN FISKE ISAAC TRAIN — & Collector to have $4\frac{1}{2}$d. pr. £ for Collecting.
Surveyors of High-ways	EBENR HOBBS THOS. BIGLOW ABRM. SANDERSON RUBEN CARVER JOHN STIMSON
Tythingmen	EPHRAIM LIVERMORE & ABNER RUSSELL
Hogreaves	AMOS WYMAN & ELISHA STRATTON
Field drivers	AMOS SANDERSON, JOHN WARREN
Fence Viewers	SAMUEL SMITH & DANIEL BEMIS
Surveyor of Lumber	ISAAC GOULD & THOS. BIGLOW
Surveyor Hemp	JOSEPH LIVERMORE

3d Voted to accept the Town Treasurers Accounts as exhibited

4 Voted to grant the sum of one Thousand Dollars to be worked out to repair the high ways at nine Pence p^{r}. hour for man or Team —

5 Voted that twenty five Dollars are hereby Appropriated to each School District to provide women Schools therein

6th Voted to allow the following Accounts viz

To Nathan Fisk for his Service as an Assessor . . .	$11 42
To Enoch Train as an Assessor	$10 00
To Abr^{m}. Hewes as an Assessor	$ 9 00

7th. Voted that Enoch Train Collector have Leave to draw out of the Treasury the amount of Isaac Pierces taxes in his lists for the year 1799 it being the sum of seven Dollars and thirty three cents $7 33

8th. Voted that they accepted the report of thier Committee raised to treat with m^{r}. Joel Smith relative to the exchange of Lands near the Publick meeting-houses which is as followeth viz

[464.]

[NOTE. — Space was left for the report but it was not recorded, and it is not on file. In the minutes on file is the additional item under 8th: —

"Voted that D^{n} Isaac Hobbs be and he hereby is appointed & impowered in behalf of the Town to give & recive Deeds relative to the premesis."

This deed is on file, and was recorded at the Middlesex Reg. of Deeds, Oct. 11, 1892. By this deed the town quitclaimed certain land in front of the meeting-house and received in return "the first tract beginning at the westerly corner of Deacon Isaac Hobbs shed at a stake and stones, thence running south easterly by said shed to the end thereof at a heap of stones by the newly erected shed, thence running southeasterly by the last mentioned shed to a heap of stones at the South-east corner of said shed thence running easterly down into the hollow to a stake and stones. — and upon all other sides it is bounded upon the town's land: — the other tract begins at a pair of bars at the foot of the hill south of the public meeting house by the road leading to the south part of Weston, thence running north-westerly to a stake and stones, thence running northwesterly to a heap of stones, and is bounded upon the east by the said town road and upon the north by the * *Town's land* with all the appurtenances thereof."

* Great country road lined out. M. F. P.]

10th Voted that in futer there Shall be a meeting of the inhabitants call,^{d}. some time in the month of may Annually for

the Purpose of granting money to pay the Rev^{d} M^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Kendal his Sallery — to pay for Schooling — for the Support of the poor — and for all other Usal & incidental Charges

11th Voted that they accept of a list prepared for the Jury Box as read off by the Clerk —

The meeting was then Disolved

[465.] at a Legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Weston on monday the fourth day of april 1803 for the Purpose of giving in thier votes for Governor L^{t}. Governor, Counsillors & Senators Agreably to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massechusetts — the votes were as followeth viz —

For Governor	CALEB STRONG had Eighty-three votes
For L^{t}. Governor	EDW^{D}. H. ROBBINS had Eighty three votes
Senators and Counsillors	TIMOTHY BIGLOW had Eighty-two votes JOSIAH BARTLETT had Eighty two votes JAMES BANCROFT had Eighty two votes TIMOTHY JACKSON had Eighty two votes AARON HILL had two votes JOHN MAYNARD had one vote JONATHAN MAYNARD had one vote WILLIAM HULL had two votes WILLIAM HILDRITH had two votes

The inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified to vote for a representative to the General Court being Legally Assembled at the Publick meeting-house in S^{d}. Town on monday the Ninth day of may 1803 — did then & there elect & depute M^{r}. John Slack to represent them the Said inhabitants in the General Court the ensewing year —

To ISAAC TRAIN *one of the Constables of the Town of Weston* GREETING

You are hereby required in the name of the Common-weath of Massechusetts to notify and warn the freeholders & other

inhabitants of Said Town quallified by law to Vote in Town meetings viz such as pay to one single tax beside the Poll or Polls a Sum equal to two thirds of a single Poll tax to Assemble at the Publick meeting-house in S^{d}. Town on monday the Ninth day of may next at four o'Clock in the afternoon to act on the following Articles viz —

[466.] 1st To choose a moderator of Said meeting

2 To grant money to Defray that part of the Sallery of the Rev^{d} m^{r} Kendal which by Contract they are obliged to pay him in Cash for a year next Succeeding the fifth day of November next being the twenty-first year of his ministry

3^{d} To grant an additional Sum in lieu of the twenty Cords of wood Stipulated by the Town at the time of his Settlement Provided an agreement can be made Satisfactory to both parties, or act any matter or thing relative thereto —

4th: To grant money to defray the expence of Schools and all other Nessessary Town Charges —

5th. To appoint a Committee in each district, to hire and pay a School-master therein and to recive from the Treasurer Such sum as may be granted for that Purpose —

6 To regulate the Jury Boxes Agreeably to an Act of the general Court Pass^{d}: at their last Session —

7th To see if the Town will take measures to Prevent thier School-Houses from decay, Build Nessessary Houses at each of them, or act any matter or thing relative thereto —

Given under our hands & Seal this thirteenth day of April AD — 1803 —

EBENEZER HOBBS
JOHN SLACK
NATHAN FISKE
ENOCH TRAIN
} Selectmen of Weston

WESTON April 1803

Pursuant to the above warrant I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said town quallified as there expressed, to meet at the time, place & for the Purposes there mentioned

ISAAC TRAIN Constable of Weston

[467.] The inhabitants of Weston being Assembled Agree-

ably to & in Consequenc of the foregoing Warrent & Notification proceeded to act upon Said warrent as followeth viz —

1st. Ebenr. Hobbs Esqr. *Chosen moderator of said meeting*

2d Voted to grant the sum of three Hundred Dollars to pay the Revd. mr Samll. Kendal his Sallery for one year immediately Succeeding the fifth day of November next —

3d Voted to grant the sum of one hundred & thirty Dollars in lieu of twenty Cords of wood Stipulated by the Town to pay him at the time of his Settlement, the Revd mr. Kendall Signifying that to be Satisfactory, the Town Voted that the Sum of one hundred & thirty Dollars should be the annual sum paid him in lieu of the wood for the three next Succeeding years —

4th. Voted to grant the sum of Six Hundred Dollars for the Support of Schools and the Sum of Eight Hundred Dollars to defray other Nessessary and incidental Town Chargs —

5 Voted that the persons Named hereafter be a Committee in each of thier respective districts for the Purposes mentioned in the Warrent viz

Revd mr Samuel Kendall, mr. Abr. Harrington & Deacon Samll. Fisk

Doctr. Amos Bancroft Mess Thads Pierce & Joseph Livermore

Capt. Ruben Carver Mess Abijah Fisk & Isaac Train

Capt. Josiah Hastings Messrs. John Slack & Nathan Upham

Messrs. Elisha Stratton Alpheus Biglow & Jesse Cheney

Messrs. Ebenr. Hobbs Nathan Warren & Abijah Whitney

6th voted to accept the List prepared for the Jury Boxes — the first Collum to Comprize a List for the first Box and the remainder to Comprize a list for the Second Box

7th Voted to appropriate to each School District the sum of forty Dollars for the Purpose of painting the School Housen & building Nessessary ones repairing &c, and an Additional Sum of ten Dollars to the west Center district & ten dollars to the South east District —

the meeting was then Disolved

[468.] *To* Isaac Jones *one of the Constables of the Town of Weston* — Greeting You are hereby required in the Name

of the Common-wealth of Massechusetts to summon & notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Weston Quallified by Law to vote in town meetings viz Such as pay to one Single tax beside the Poll or Polls a sum equal to two thirds of a Single Poll tax, to Assemble at the Publick Meeting House on monday the twenty-Second day of August instant at three o,Clock in the after-noon to act on the following Articles viz —

1st. To Choose a Moderator of Said Meeting

2d To See if the Town will grant a Sum of money to be expended in repairing the high-way from East-Sudbury To Waltham or act any thing relative to the same

3d To Choose an Agent or Agents, to Superintend the expending such sum as may be granted for said Purpose

4th. To Choose an Agent or Agents to Answer at the next Supream Juditial Court to a Summons lately served upon the Inhabitants of said town relating to the high-way from East-Sudbury to Waltham —

Given under our hands & Seals this eighth day of Augt. A D 1803

EBENR HOBBS
JOHN SLACK
NATHAN FISK
AMOS HARRINGTON
} Selectmen of Weston

WESTON Augt. 18th 1803

Pursuant to the within Warrent I have notified and warnd. the inhabitants of Said Town Quallified as there discribed to meet at the time, Place, & for the Purpose within mentioned

ISAAC TRAIN Constable for Weston

[469.] The Inhabitants of the Town of Weston being Assembled in Consequence of & Agrably to the foregoing warrent & notification Proceeded to act upon Said Warrent as is under Written Viz —

1st. EBENEZER HOBBS ESQR *chosen Moderator of Said meeting*

2d Voted to grant the sum of five Hundred Dollars for

the Purpose of reparing the high-way from East-Sudbury To Waltham

3d voted that Messrs. Amos Harrington, Nathan Fiske & Abijah Fisk be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to Superintend the expenditure of said Sum of five Hundred Dollars for the purpose above mentioned —

[NOTE. — There is on file a paper signed by the town clerk which purports to be "a true coppy as of record appears." It is dated Augst 29th, 1803, and is a copy of articles 2d and 3d above. The meeting is said to have been held "the *eighth* day of Augst. *1783.*" There is here the same mistake of year that has been previously noticed, and a second mistake of the day, confusing the date of the warrant with that of the meeting, which was Aug. 22, 1803. A second paper containing the minutes of the same town meeting has the date altered from *Aug. 18th.*, the day when the warrant was returned, to Aug. 22, the day of the meeting. — M. F. P.]

4th. Voted that Mr. Isaac Fiske be and he hereby is appointed an Agent to at the Suprem Juditial Court to a summons lately served upon the inhabitants of said town of Weston relating to the high-way from East-Sudbury to Waltham

5th Voted the sum above mentioned be Assessed and paid into the Treasury on or before the first day of Octr. next

The meeting was then Disolved

[470.] *Know all Men by these Presents;* That we Christopher Marshall of Boston in the County of Suffolk, Nathaniel C Allen of New Gloucester in the County of Cumberland Esqrs. and Artemas Ward of Charleston in the County of Middlesix Esqr. Executors of the last will and testament of Thos. Marshall late of Weston, Deceased, by Virtue of the Powers vested in us by said will and in Consideration of one Hundred & eight Dollars to us Paid by John Clark of Weston in sd. County of Middlesix Gentleman — the receipt whereof we do hereby Acknowledge have remised, released, and for ever quit claimed and do for our selves by these Presents, remise, release and forever quit claim unto the said John and his Hiers and Assigns All the Estate, right, title, and interest, in & to a certain Pew, in the meeting-House in weston aforesaid, of which the said Thomas

Marshall Died Possessed, the same being Number twelve, the Second Pew on the left hand of the front Door

To Have and to hold the afore-mentioned Premises, with all the Privileges & Appurtances thereunto belonging, to him the S^{d}. John and hiers & assigns forever; so that we the said Christopher Nathaniel and Artemas, nor the heirs of the said Thomas, or any other Person or Persons Claming for or under us, or them, or in the name or Stead of us or them shall or will by any or means have Claim, or Demand any Right or title to the afore Said Premises, or thier Appurtenances, or to any Part or parcel thereof.

In Witness whereof we the said Christopher, Nathaniel and Artemas — Have hereunto set our hands & Seals this fourteenth day of Febuary in the year of our Lord one Thousand eight Hundred and three

Signed, seal^{d}. & Delivered
in presence of us
NANCY H MARSHALL
MARGARETT ODELL

CHRISTOPHER MARSHALL
NATHANIEL C. ALLEN
ARTEMAS WARD

[471.] SUFFOLK ss Feb^{ry} 15th. 1803 — Then the above named Christopher Marshall Nathaniel C Allen and artemas Ward, Acknowledged the above Instrument to be thier free act & Deed — before me

WILLIAM STEPHENSON { Jus^{t} of peace

APPENDIX A.

(See Pages 253 and 254.)

A report of a Committee Concerning y^e. Constatution & Form of Goverment. 1778.

May 24th 1778. We the Committee of Weston chosen & appointed on the 18th of this Instant to take into our deliberate Consideration & report to said Town at the term of the ajournment of a meeting held at Weston afors^d. have agreeable to the purpose of our Election assembled in this Town; & deliberately read over; and considered the Convention Plan of Goverment, proposed to be adopted by this State of the Massachusetts Bay. and then ajourned to the 30th of May. when we again Meet at M^r. Benj: Peirce's in this Place & further consider'd the same & upon our further deliberation; voted our disapprobation of the s^d. Convention Plan of Goverment.

2ly Voted to report this our disapprobation to this Town of Weston; & the Reasons which Governed us the Committee in this our disapprobation of the said Convention Plan of Goverment: Which are as followeth

the first Reason of our disapprobation is founded in the 5th Article Wherein is manifested an exception against Negroes, Indians & Molattoes voting for a Representitive or Representitives. which we Esteem to be an Infringment upon the Right of such Subjects; as we Judge it ought to be the priviledge of every such free man & who is of property, to vote for a Representitive.

2ly the Second Reason we your Committee conceive is founded in the Impropriety of Settleling & fixing on a Constitution of Goverment in this State afors^d. in the Present Situation of our Public affairs; being Still Involved in the Convultions of War, & as so many worthy members belonging to this State are necessarily out of the State, who ought to have a voice in this affair.

3ly another Reason of your Committee's disapprobation of said Constitution of Goverment, is because the said Constitution is not connected with a declaratory Bill of Rights, which we esteem to be the priviledge of a free people, & which ought to have been the ground and foundation; upon which a Constitution of Goverment should be formed & built; & whereby the Rights, & Priviledges, of this people of the Massachusetts State might be known; & established, to the view both of the Present & future generation, of the good people of this State forever.

Braddyll Smith
Joseph Roberts
Josiah Smith
Isaac Hobbs
Isaac Jones
Sam^ll Fisk
John Allen
Benj^c Peirce
Thomas Rand
} Committee

APPENDIX B.

(See Pages 281, 287, and 288.)

The Commitee Reporte of the Meting house Lot 1780.

Your Commitee for assurtaning the Meting house lot have Mett by Difrent Times and by Diligent Sarch of Records and deed^s. haue found the Boundrey of the first lot Giuen by Coolidge to the Town Contaning by Bounds ¾ of aker of land with the Grate Cuntrey Rode Runing threw the Same which leues ½ aker of land To the Town as Expresed in Said deed and your Commitee Begg leue to Reporte as folows the first bounds of Coolidge^s . . lot begins at the N E Corner of Said lot at a Grate Rock and hepe of Stons and Runs West 10 Rods threw mager Lamsons wall to a Stake and hepe of Stons and thence Runing South 12 rods threw the Grate Cuntrey Rod . . down in to the Gardin ockepide by Joel Smith parte of Said Gardin Soposed to be the Towns and parte the Grate Rode to a Stake and hepe of Stons as your Committee arected as a bound^s. of the Meeting house lot and thence Runing East 10 Rod^s. threw Said Gardain to a other Stake and hepe of Stons as your Commitee arected for a other bounds on land marke in Said Joel Smith Garden of Said lot Given by Said Coolidge to the Town as apears to us by the deed and thence Runing 12 Rod^s. North to the Grate Rock and hepe of Stons first Set of from at the N E Corner of Said lot as apears by the deed and a Cording to Said deed the Grate Rode runs threw the Same leving one Rod for the Town to the Sothard of the grate Rode which fols in to Said gardin of Said Joel Smith so caled be sides parte of the grate Rod is like wise in said garden the grate Rod is left in Said Coolidge deed 4 Rod^s wide like wise your Commitee find^s. Recorded in Said Town^s. Record^s. in the year 1722 Giuen by Benj. Goodard to a Comidate the New meting house lot a gift of land To Said Town Boundrey^s. as apears to your Commitee to beginn at the Grate Rock the N E Corner of Said Coolidge lot and Runing Noth^rly. to a Sharpe Rock at the Cornor of the horse Stable in magor lamsons wall and Runing Wester^ly. to a Grate white oake Tree in Said wall which Tree is marked as a boundrey of Said lot betwene mag^or. Lamsons lot and the Towns land and thence Runing to the N W Corner of the pownd Runing as the wall now Stand^s and then Runing Soth^rly. as the wall of the pound Stand^s. to a stake and hepe of Stons in Said mago^r. Lamsons land as your Commitee Set up for the Secont bounds of Coolidge lot and we further finde that thair is a Rod 2 Rod^s. wide leding from John Walkers in to the grate Cuntrey Rod^e. as itt was then Trod as apears by the Records of the Town and your Commitee find^s. by Deed^s. Exibeted to them that thair is one other pece of land bounding from the Corner of Said hepe of Stons in the Corner of the horse Stble that is down Joning to the land of Josiah Smith Esqr and Runing Sothly down in to the halow Nigh to m^r Josiah Smith wall be low the Stables which Land apears to your Commitee to be the Towns property which Reporte is the full Consent of your Commitee and Sined by order of the holl Commitee

Estes Howe Chair man

Weston May ye 15 1780

APPENDIX C.

(See Pages 296, 307, 326, 327.)

Report of Committee for Settling the boundaries of the Town land near the Meeting-House.

Whaireas at an Ajurnement of a Legal meeting of the Inhabetence of Weston from the 27th of December 1780 to Janr 8th AD 1781 & then to the 22d of the Same month it was then Voted to Chuse a Committy Consisting of five Persons Vizr Leiut Jonathan Stratten Capt John Flagg Mr John Allen Capt Isaac Jones & Mr. Thadr. Spring to Treat with Josiah Smith Esqr and his Son Joel in Settling the Boundres of the Towns Land Near the meeting House and to make Report to the Town att the Next Anual march meeting for the Towns Exeptence, Said Comitty having attended on that Service Beg Leave to Report as followeth Vizr

1 that Josiah Smith Esqr offers to Give the Town a Quit Claim Deed to the Bounds a former Comitty made North & East of the meeting House Capt Estes How Being Chairman of Said Committy

2 Mr Joel Smith offers to Straiten the wall South of the Road Before the meeting House and Begining at a Stake & Stones by wall East of the Garden & Runing Straight to the North Est Corner of his Dwelling house and Lett that be the Boundres of the Towns Land: or Otherwise —

3 Mr Joel Smith offers Give to the Town Three Rods of Land for one that the Town Claims South of the Road Before the meeting House Said Land so given to be on the Southwesterly Sid of the Road Over the medow towards the workhouse

Weston March 5 1781

Signed by Order of the Comitty — Jonathan Stratton
Chairman

(See also pages 492, 519, and 521; also Middlesex Reg. of Deeds, L. 2150, F. 41 & L. 1164, F. 174.)

ERRATA.

Page	2.	Line	4, for Cleak read Clerk.
"	56.	"	20, for Decr read Dec^{r}.
"	56.	"	37, for ofthe read of the.
"	66.	"	35, for relaing read relating.
"	76.	Head-line	1758 read 1759.
"	77.	Head-line	1758 read 1759.
"	77.	Line	13, g read J^{R}.
"	77.	Various	J^{R} read g^{R}.
"	78.	Head-line	1758 read 1759.
"	78.	Line	3, Ju^{r} read Ju^{r}.
"	79.	"	17, transfer 1759 to page 76.
"	81.	"	23, for Step read Steps.
"	86.	"	27, for Petition read Petision.
"	89.	"	5, for our Pry read are By.
"	94.	"	35, for ates read Rates.
"	103.	"	11, for accomplich read accomplish.
"	103.	"	11, for Se read se.
"	103.	"	15, for S^{d} read s^{d}.
"	105.	"	31, for Cory perhaps read Cary.
"	106.	"	32, for Xccepted read Excepted.
"	112.	"	21, for Casd read Cash.
"	117.	"	4, for Pat read Part.
"	118.	"	25, for Lewt^{tn}. read Lew^{tn}.
"	119.	"	16, for Joshia read Josiah.
"	125.	"	13, for Land read Lane.
"	126.	"	34, for New read Next.
"	130.	"	19, for to ^{n} read town.
"	136.	"	26, for Livemore read Livermore.
"	138.	"	10 and 14 for Wintor read Winter.
"	140.	"	31, for prefix read [75].
"	141.	"	3, for Seavernd read Seaverns.
"	142.	"	1, for Coggens read Coggen,
"	142.	"	23, for prefix read [76].
"	149.	"	14, for ajjoining read adjoining.
"	157.	"	32, for Arreas read Arrears.
"	160.	"	31, for Prown read Brown.
"	161.	"	5, for Nathl^{l} read Nath^{ll}.
"	161.	"	30, for Saml read Sam^{ll}.
"	163.	"	15, for Con vened read Convened.
"	168.	After Town Treasurer remove brace.	
"	168.	After Names of Surveyors place brace.	
"	174.	Line	9, for Creditots read Creditors.
"	185.	"	16, for Jmaes read James.
"	191.	"	13, for Begelow read Bigelow.
"	191.	"	23, after Abr^{m} insert Bigelow.

Page 201. Line 1, for SAMLL read SAM^{ll}.
" 205. " 17, for Provisions read Provision.
" 213. " 20, coot means coat.
" 217. " 31, for ajourned read ajoured.
" 221. " 9, for Meet read Meat.
" 221. " 29, after Elisabeth insert Stimson.
" 223. " 32, for one read are.
" 224. " 20, for Bonds read Bands.
" 224. " 23, for Natures read Nattures.
" 224. " 25, for Course read Causes.
" 224. " 33, after *or* insert *to*.
" 224. " 35, for foundation read Foundation.
" 236. " 39, Joseph for Jonas.
" 237. " 37, for fro read for.
" 245. " 3, for School read Shool.
" 245. " 25, for Jona read Jona,
" 259. " 10, for aftre read after.
" 259. " 15, for Constabe read Constable.
" 265. " 32, after Sam^{el}. insert Fisk.
" 270. " 16, for Cory read Cary.
" 272. Lower half read Sam^{el}, Capt, Jon^{a}, M^{rs}.
" 278. Line 38, for & read &c.
" 279. " 38, for Spring read String.
" 307. " 28, for Joseph read Josiah.
" 354. " 41, for [57^{2}] read [257^{2}].
" 370. " 24, for Circumsyances read circumstances.
" 371. " 34, before *which* insert [282.]
" 372. " 15, for Stedamans read Steadmans.
" 446. " 27, for John read Joseph.
" 461. " 1, for Pasters read Masters.
" 466. WAR^{D} read WARD.
" 493. Line 21, for request read report.
" 496. " 33, for × read &.
" 497. " 18, for Spirrits read Spirits.
" 499. " 9, for reimbuned read reimbursed.
" 505. " 10, for Quallifield read Quallified.
After page 348 for Hager read Hagar.

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